

respectively named in said conveyances; and to sanction the holding and disposal of said lot of ground by each of said several corporations under said respective conveyances; and to sanction the acquisition and holding of the leasehold, reversionary and fee-simple interests in said lot of ground by the home missionary society of the Maryland annual conference of the methodist protestant church, a body corporate under the laws of the State of Maryland, under the conveyances to it herein specified, and to ratify and confirm the title of said corporation to said lot of ground, so far as said title is acquired, through and under the several conveyances herein specified.

WHEREAS, by indenture dated August thirteenth, A. D. eighteen hundred and four, and recorded among the land records of Baltimore city, in liber W. G., number eighty-two, folio five hundred and forty-four, &c., John Bouldin did lease unto Charles Garty and others, and the survivors or survivor of them, as trustees for the evangelical protestant German Lutheran congregation of Baltimore city, the lot of ground situate on the northeast corner of Broadway and Monument street, in the city of Baltimore, in said indenture particularly described, for the term and at the rent in said indenture set forth; and,

WHEREAS, said congregation subsequently became duly incorporated under the laws of this State under the name of "The trustees of Zion church of the city of Baltimore;" and,

WHEREAS, by assignment dated September twenty-fourth, A. D., eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and recorded among the aforesaid land records, in liber E. D., number one hundred and thirty-five, folio one hundred and seventy-nine, &c., John Jacob Peter, administrator of Henry Schroeder, the survivor of the trustees named in the above mentioned lease, did assign the legal title to the leasehold interest in said lot to "The trustees of Zion church of the city of Baltimore" aforesaid; and,

WHEREAS, said, "The trustees of Zion church of the city of Baltimore" aforesaid, purchased and acquired the reversionary and fee-simple interest in said lot under two deeds, one from Harriet Bouldin and others, dated September eighth, A. D., eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and recorded among the aforesaid land records, in liber E. D., number one hundred and thirty-five, folio sixty-four, &c., the other from Arianna Bouldin, trustee, dated November third, A. D., eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and recorded among the aforesaid land records, in liber E. D., number one hundred and thirty-eight, folio one hundred and fifty-one, &c.; and,

WHEREAS, by bond of conveyance, dated November seventeenth, A. D., eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, and recorded among the