

Preamble. from small beginnings, in its peculiar duties of works of piety, charity and usefulness and especially for the care of the sick, the succor of aged, infirm and necessitous persons, and the education of young females, it is now spread all over the United States, and in all the forms and ills with which mortals are afflicted, its sisters and members are devoting strength and life in ameliorating the sufferings of humanity, and whereas, it is further represented to this General Assembly, that the amount of property which said incorporation is authorized to receive and hold under and by virtue of said act of incorporation is now largely inadequate to carry forward and accomplish the end for which it was granted, the said corporation being the mother house of said "Sisters of Charity of Saint Joseph's" in the United States and the home and refuge of all sisters of charity who are broken in health; the result of their arduous labors, therefore,

Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph's. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the "Sisters of Charity of Saint Joseph's," and their successors in the said corporate name, be and it is hereby authorized and empowered in law to receive and hold in fee simple or otherwise, all kinds of gifts, grants, conveyances, donations, devises and bequests of estates, real and personal, and mixed property and effects, for the uses and purposes as stated in its original act of incorporation, provided always that they shall not at any time hold, use, possess and enjoy, either by legal seizure or trust for their benefit, more than eight hundred acres of land, nor shall their personal estate at any time exceed in value the sum of five hundred thousand dollars.

Power to hold all kinds of gifts.

Right to Repeal. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the General Assembly of Maryland hereby reserves to itself the right at any time to repeal, alter or annul this act.

Effective. SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That this act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 22nd, 1892.

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#### CHAPTER 174.

AN ACT to cede to the United States, jurisdiction over certain lands at or near the Antietam battlefield.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That pursuant to article one, section eight, paragraph seventeen, of the Constitution of the United States.