SEC. 9. And be it further enacted. That the said company shall have authority and may take insurance on any kind of property against loss or damage occasioned by lightning, Authority to whether fire shall result therefrom or not, and may make such by-laws and regulations concerning liability for loss or damage by lightning as may be deemed necessary.

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against lightning.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That the board of directors shall make such by-laws not inconsistent with this charter or the laws of the State of Maryland as they may Authority to deem necessary to conduct the affairs of the company, and shall have power to alter and amend the same; and the said by-laws, and every amendment thereof, shall be binding upon all members of said company; in case any vacancy occurring in the board of directors, the same shall be filled by selection of the remainder of the board, to serve for the unexpired term.

SEC. 11. And be it further enacted, That it shall be the duty of the president, whenever required in writing by not General less than twenty members of the company other than the directors, to call a general meeting of the members, by giving notice as in cases of election for directors, for the transaction of such business as may be specified in the said written requisition; and any resolutions or proceedings passed or had at such meeting by not less than two-thirds of the members who shall be present shall be binding on the president and directors and members of the company.

SEC. 12. And be it further enacted, That the board of directors shall have power to regulate the time and duration Power to of all its policies and the rates of insurance; to provide for regulate the the payment of all losses and expenses incurred by said company; and the president and secretary shall sign all policies of insurance issued by the company; and in the absence of the president the vice-president shall perform the duties of president.

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Sec. 13. And be it further enacted, That every member of this company who shall sustain loss or damage by fire or lightning shall give notice thereof to the secretary of the Notice given company at his office within thirty days from the date of such loss to the end that they may inquire into the same; and the said president and directors shall direct the proper appraisers to view the premises and determine the loss actually sustained and make report within ten days after