

they are hereby created a corporation by the name of the Ancient Order of Hibernians in the State of Maryland, and by that name shall have perpetual succession; may sue and be sued, answer and defend in any court of law or equity; and may have, use, and at pleasure change, a common seal, and generally may do any lawful act or thing necessary and proper to carry into effect the provisions of this act, and promote the welfare and objects of said corporation.

Constitution  
adopted.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the constitution and adopted at the national convention held in the city of St. Paul, in the State of Minnesota, on the fourteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, and the "By-Laws of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Maryland," adopted and promulgated by Michael Murphy, state delegate, Michael Reilly, state secretary, and John Flannigan, state treasurer, shall be the constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of the corporation hereby created until the same shall be regularly changed, repealed, revised or altered by said national convention or by said state delegate, state secretary and state treasurer, or its or their successor or successors; and that the present officers of said Ancient Order of Hibernians, as at present constituted, shall be the officers of the corporation hereby created until the regular times for the election of officers as prescribed by said constitution and by-laws, and their qualification for office.

Receive sub-  
scriptions, etc.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation shall have the power of receiving subscriptions, donations, devises and bequests of money or real or personal property, in trust or otherwise, and of purchasing or otherwise acquiring and holding such property, to be applied by it to the objects of its incorporation, not to exceed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Effective.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall take effect immediately from and after the date of its passage.

Approved March 29, 1888.