

tated, or refuse to act as aforesaid, and there shall remain no one in being to continue the succession as hereinabove provided for, the judge or judges of the Circuit Court for Washington County are hereby authorized to select trustees, who shall have all the powers herein conferred, both for the control of the affairs of the said free library and for continuing the succession of trustees in perpetuity; the purpose being by this means to maintain in perpetuity a complete governing body of trustees for said "Washington County Free Library." Every trustee, before proceeding to act, shall qualify by taking the test oath required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland, a certificate of which qualification shall be recorded on the minutes of the proceedings of the board of trustees.

Authorized to receive property. SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That the said board of trustees, and their successors, are hereby authorized and empowered to acquire and receive, by purchase, gift, grant, devise or bequest, any and all property, real, personal or mixed, as well as books and all objects of art and virtue, and hold the same in perpetuity for the use of said "Washington County Free Library;" and to sell, dispose of, invest and re-invest, any and all property so received by them, as in their judgment may best serve the interest and welfare of said free library.

Exempt from taxes. SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the real and personal estate authorized by this Act to be held by the said "The Washington County Free Library" for the uses and purposes herein provided for shall be exempt from all State, county and municipal taxes forever.

Effective. SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage.

Approved April 9, 1898.

CHAPTER 513.

AN ACT to amend and perpetuate the charter of the Turnverein Vorwaerts of Baltimore.

Preamble. WHEREAS, "The Turnverein Vorwaerts of Baltimore" was incorporated on the twenty-eighth day of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, under the General Laws of Maryland, which was recorded among the Charter Records of the city of Baltimore, in Liber G. R. No. 14, folio 69, etc.; and

Preamble. WHEREAS, Said corporation has largely increased in membership and usefulness, and has occasion to enlarge its board of directors and have its corporate existence perpetuated and its powers increased; therefore,