

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

Approved April 9, 1898.

CHAPTER 278.

AN ACT to authorize the conveyance and transfer of certain property in Fairmount District, in Somerset County, known as the Fairmount Academy property to the trustees of Fairmount Academy, and to authorize the Comptroller of the Treasury to pay to the said trustees, the money appropriated by any Acts or Resolutions of the General Assembly.

Preamble. WHEREAS, Thomas E. Ballard and Rosina Ballard, his wife, by their deed dated the 6th day of April, A. D. 1887, conveyed certain property therein described, near Fairmount, in Somerset county, unto William Muir, John H. Ford, Daniel H. Maddox, Lazarus Miles, Algie Whittington, William E. Ford and William H. Parks, to have and to hold the same in and for the use and purposes of a school house or academy for the education of youth; and

Preamble. WHEREAS, The said parties, though holding for a public use, are not incorporated, and are not provided with the means of perpetuating their own succession; therefore,

Body corporate. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That William E. Muir, Joseph Muir, W. Scott Chelton, Z. Taylor Chelton, Franklin E. Cox, John Hall and William E. Ford of Fairmount district, in Somerset county, be and they are hereby declared to be a body politic or corporate, by the name and style of "The Trustees of Fairmount Academy," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable to sue and be sued, to have and use a common seal, and the same at their pleasure to alter or break, and to exercise all the powers and privileges of corporations under the laws of this State.

Property conveyed. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the aforesaid William Muir, John H. Ford, Daniel H. Maddox, Lazarus Miles, Algie Whittington, William E. Ford and William H Parks, or a majority of the survivors of them, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to convey the property named in the aforesaid deed to the trustees of Fairmount Academy, as hereinbefore incorporated, who shall hold the same in and for the use and purpose of a school house or academy for the education of youth.