publication the codification of the Public General Laws of the State:

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Volume 4 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, edited by George P. Bagby, be, and the same is, hereby legalized, and, in connection with Volumes 1, 2 and 3 of said Code legalized and made evidence of the Law by the Acts of 1912, Chapter 21, and 1914, Chapter 16, shall be deemed and taken in all the Courts of the State, by all the justices of the peace of the State, and by all Public officials of the State, to be evidence of the Public General Laws of the State contained in the Code of Public General Laws of Maryland of 1888 and the Public General Laws enacted subsequent thereto; provided that before Volume 4 of said Annotated Code is published the Public General Laws enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland at its session of 1918 be incorporated therein.

Approved April 10th, 1918.

CHAPTER 145.

AN ACT to ratify and confirm all acts done by The Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis in furtherance of the purposes for which they were incorporated to the same effect as if their charter had never expired; and to continue said corporation perpetually; and to amend said charter by changing the name of the corporation to The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis, Philadelphia Foundation, of St. Joseph's Hospital, Baltimore, Md.; and to change the name of St. Joseph's German Hospital to St. Joseph's Hospital.

WHEREAS, The Sisters of the Third Order of Saint Francis were duly incorporated in the month of November, in the year 1870, under the general incorporation laws of the State, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a hospital in the City of Baltimore, as appears by its charter recorded on November 29, 1870, in Charter Record G. R. No. 16, folio 345, of Baltimore City; and

WHEREAS, The duration of corporate existence under said charter and laws was limited to a period of 40 years, which said period expired in the month of November, 1910; and