

and to other circumstances shall be affected thereby. If any provision, clause, sentence, word, phrase, or part of this Act shall be declared to be in violation of any provision of the State or Federal Constitutions, the remainder of said Act shall stand and be effective notwithstanding. To the extent, and only to the extent, of a judicial declaration of unconstitutionality or invalidity as to a given person, firm, or corporation, or as to a given factual situation, the provisions of the law prior to the passage of this Act shall remain in full force and effect solely for the enforcement of rights as to such person, firm, or corporation, or as to such factual situations.

SEC. 10. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and being passed by a ye and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved May 4, 1945.

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CHAPTER 1018.

(House Bill 496)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sub-section (6) of Section 8 of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Corporations", sub-title "Provisions for Formation of Corporations—Powers", relating to corporate powers and clarifying the existing law.

WHEREAS, it has been the legislative intent and understanding that corporations incorporated under the provisions of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), have and have had the power to make gifts and contributions, unless otherwise restricted by their charters or by-laws for religious, charitable, scientific, civic, literary, educational and public purposes; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the General Assembly of Maryland to clarify and declare the existing law with respect thereto; therefore

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Sub-section (6) of Section 8 of Article 23 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Corpora-