

CHAP. 79. use of its members, with a design to encourage and cultivate mental improvement; for the better accomplishment of which design they have asked for an act of incorporation; and whereas, the object of such association seems to be laudable and beneficial, and said request to be reasonable—  
 Therefore,

SECTION. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Patrick McGill, senr.; Jacob B. Haller, William Mahony, Joseph Easterday, George W. Hoffman, Henry Culler, Thomas J. Clagett, Lloyd Gittings, George C. Biser, Peter Shaffer, Joshua Jones, Thomas I. McGill, and such other persons as now are, or may hereafter become members, shall be and they are hereby created and made a body politic and corporate, by the name, style and title of the Library Association of Jefferson, and by that name shall have continued succession, and be able and capable in law, to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, defend and be defended in any court of law or equity in this State, or elsewhere, and to make, have and use a common seal, and the same to alter or renew at their pleasure.

SECTION. 2. *And be it enacted,* That said association shall have power to elect on the first Saturday of April, eighteen hundred and forty-one, and annually thereafter, from amongst its members, a president, treasurer, librarian and a board of five directors, to hold stated meetings to establish and put in execution, alter or abolish such by-laws, rules and regulations, as to them shall seem most conducive to the interest of the association; *provided,* the same be not contrary to the laws of the State or of the United States; to purchase and hold a library and apparatus, and to purchase, receive, hold and dispose of any other property, real or personal, not at any time exceeding in amount one thousand dollars; and generally to do any other matter or thing necessary to carry into effect the objects of the association.

SECTION. 3. *And be it enacted,* That nothing herein contained shall be so construed, as to authorise or empower said corporation to issue any note, certificate, token or evidence of debt, to be used as currency; and the right is hereby expressly reserved to the General Assembly of Maryland, at its pleasure, to alter, amend or annul its act of incorporation.

Individuals in-  
 corporated of  
 Name and style  
 Legal capacity  
 Elect officers  
 Make by-laws  
 Proviso  
 Hold property  
 Limit  
 Banking forbid  
 Right to repeal

of collecting a library of literary and scientific books for the