

CHAP. 38. which estate shall never be divided among the members of the corporation, but shall descend to their successors, subject to the payment of just debts to be incurred by said corporation.

To hold first meeting. SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That C. W. Lentz shall have power to call the first meeting of said corporation, by appointing a time and place therefor, and giving written notice thereof to the other persons named and incorporated by this act, at least three days before such time of such meeting.

Banking forbid. SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That nothing in this act be construed so as to authorize the said corporation to issue any note, token, device, scrip or other evidence of debt, to be used as currency.

In force SEC. 6. *And be it enacted*, That this act of incorporation shall inure for thirty years from its passage, and that the legislature reserves to itself the right to alter or annul this act of incorporation at pleasure.

CHAPTER 38.

Passed Jan 23, 1842. *An act for the incorporation of Adam Lodge, number thirty-five, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.*

Incorporated. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That John Keafenoer, of G., James M. Harding, Frederick A. Rigney, Otho G. Ent, George A. Rockley, Edward Love and others, officers and members of Adam Lodge, number thirty-five of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and their successors, be and they are hereby declared to be a community, corporation and body politic, by the name, style and title of Adam Lodge, number thirty-five of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and by that name they and their successors, shall and may at all times hereafter, be capable in law, to have, receive and retain to them and their successors, property real and personal, also devises and bequests of any persons, bodies, corporate or politic, capable of making the same, and the same at their pleasure to transfer or dispose of, in such manner as they may think proper; *provided always*, that the said corporation or body politic, shall not any time, hold or possess property, real, personal or mixed, exceeding in value the sum of five thousand dollars.

Name and style. Corporate powers. Proviso. Legal capacity. SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation and their successors, by the name and title aforesaid, shall be thereafter capable in law, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be

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