

Passed Feb. 25, 1839. *An act to incorporate the Independent Fire Company, of the City of Annapolis.*

Persons incorporat-  
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SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Alexander Randall, John S. Selby, Somerville Pinkney, Richard Swann, Richard I. Cowman, Dennis Claude, Jun., Nicholas H. Green, Thomas Franklin, George Mackubin, George McNeir, Jonathan Pinkney, James Iglehart, George Wells, John Johnson, Thomas S. Alexander, William S. Green, James H. Iglehart, Thomas G. Waters, John W. Whittington, Basil Shephard, Philip Clayton and David S. Caldwell, and their successors, and such other persons, as are now, or hereafter may become members of the same, shall be, and are hereby declared to be one community, corporation, or body politic, for ever hereafter, by the name of the Independent Fire Company, of the city of Annapolis, the object of which company is hereby declared to be the protection of property within the city of Annapolis, from destruction by fire, for which purpose they shall be, and are hereby made able and capable in law to have, purchase, receive, possess and retain to them and their successors, lands, tenements, rents, annuities or other hereditaments, and the same to grant, demise, alien or dispose of, in such manner as they may judge most conducive to the interest of the company; provided nevertheless, that said corporation, or body politic, shall not at any time hold or possess property, real or mixed, exceeding the sum of ten thousand dollars.*

Name and style

Corporate powers

Property \$10,000

Legal capacities

May make by-laws

Sec. 2. *And be it enacted, That the said company and their successors by the name aforesaid, shall for ever hereafter be able and capable in law, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in all, or any courts of justice whatsoever, and also to have, make and use a common seal, and the same to break, alter and renew at pleasure, and to assemble and meet at such times and places, as they may agree upon, and also from time to time, to form and adopt such laws, and regulations for the government of said company, and the concerns thereof, as they may judge necessary and useful, and*