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kins, M. W. Conner, George Jones, N. I. Watkins, CHAP. 121. Frederick C. Hyde, Richard J. Crabb, Joshua Brown and others, the officers and members of the Annapolis Division Number Ten, of the Order of the Sons of Temperance and their successors be, and they are hereby created and declared to be a community, corporation and body politic, by the name and number, style and title of the Annapolis Division Number Ten, of the Order of the Sons of Temperance, and by that name and number, they and their successors shall and may be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended in all and any courts of justice, and before all or any judges, officers or persons whatsoever in all and singular actions, matters and demands whatsoever.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the said corporation May hold real and their successors, by the name and title aforesaid, estate, &c. shall and may at all times hereafter be capable in law to receive and retain to them and their successors, property, real and personal; also devises and bequests of any person or 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 Proviso. body politic, shall not at any time hold or possess property, real, personal or mixed, exceeding in value the

sum of twenty thousand dollars.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be common seal lawful for the said corporation to have a common seal for their use; and the same, at their will and pleasure, to change, alter or make anew from time to time as they may think best; and shall in general have and exercise all such rights, privileges and immunities as by law are incident or necessary to corporations, and which may be necessary to the corporation herein construed, and to enable the members of said order to exercise all things concerning the designs of this corporation for the benevolent relief of the sick and distressed, and for the promotion of their purposes generally.

SEC. 4. And be it enacted, That this corporation shall May alter and have power to alter and amend their by-laws at pleasure; amend by-laws provided, such alterations or amendments shall not conflict or be inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the United States, or of the State of Maryland, or of the Grand Division of the State of Maryland, of the Order of

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