

CHAP. 119.

sors, be and they are hereby declared to be a community, corporation, and body politic, by the name, and style, and title of Ocean Lodge, number sixty-one, 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 or 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 body politic, shall not, at any time hold or possess property, real, personal or mixed, exceeding in annual value, the sum of five thousand dollars.

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Corporate powers.

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 and equity, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, in all or any courts of justice, and before all or any judges, officers or persons whatsoever, in all and singular actions, matters or demands whatsoever.

Common seal

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That it shall and may be lawful for the said corporation to have a common seal for their use, and the same, at their will and pleasure, to change, alter and 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 what may be necessary to the corporation herein constituted, and to enable the members of said order to exercise all things concerning the design of this corporation, for the benevolent relief of the sick and distressed, and for the promotion of their purposes generally.

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SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That this corporation shall have power to make, alter and amend their by-laws at pleasure; *provided*, they do not conflict with the laws of the State of Maryland, the laws of the United States, or the laws of the Grand Lodge.

Right reserved

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the General Assembly of Maryland reserves the right to change, alter or annul this act of incorporation at any time.

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