

An act for the Incorporation of Goethe Lodge, Number Two, of the United Order of Independent Brothers, and to Incorporate the Metamora Tribe, Number One, of the Independent Order of Red Men, of the State of Maryland.

Passed Mar. 8,
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SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland.* That John Anders, Ludwig Horst, George Puhl, John Bear, George Hoehn, Theodore Munch, Henry Berkheimer, Jacob Brail, William Schelhas, and others, the officers and members of the Goethe Lodge, number two, of the United Order of Independent Brothers, attached to the Supreme Council of Maryland, and their successors, be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body politic and corporate, by the name and number of Goethe Lodge, number two, of the United Order of Independent Brothers, of the State of Maryland, and by that name may sue and be sued, and have a common seal, and the same at their pleasure, alter, and be entitled to use the powers and privileges incident to such corporation. Incorporated, &c.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted;* That the said corporation shall be capable of taking and holding real and personal estate, not exceeding in value the sum of twelve thousand dollars, which estate shall never be divided among the members of the corporation, but shall descend to their successors for the benevolent relief of the sick and distressed, the education of the orphans of its members, and for the promotion of their purposes generally. Objects of the corporation.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That this corporation shall not be permitted to issue any note, token, device, or scrip, or other evidence of debt, to be used as currency. Banking forbid

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That this corporation shall have power to make bye-laws for their government, and to alter and amend the same at pleasure; *provided,* they do not conflict with the laws of the State of Maryland, of the United States, or the laws of the Supreme Council of Maryland. To make bye-laws. Proviso

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted,* That this act of incorporation shall enure for thirty years from its passage, and that the Legislature reserves to itself the right to alter and amend this act of incorporation, at pleasure. Rights reserved

SEC. 6. *And be it enacted,* That Conrad Schlott, Martin Heitzell, S. T. Ruff, Frederick Kitzinger, Louis Incorporated, &c.