

view of exciting and fostering among its members, a desire for mental cultivation and improvement, for the better accomplishment of which design, they have asked for an act of incorporation; *And whereas*, the objects of such association seem to be laudable and beneficial, and said request to be reasonable, Therefore,

**Incorporated.**

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Jefferson Ramsay, James Touchstone, John M. McClenahan, John W. Taylor, Archibald Hawkins, Thomas Maynard, Aquilla M. Carroll, John R. Gwinn, Wesley Wiley, William H. Long, James H. Kidd, Washington W. Davis, and such other persons as now are or may hereafter become members, shall be, and they are hereby created and made a body politic, by the name, style and title, of the Port Deposit Library Association, and by that name shall have continual succession, and be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, defend and be defended, in any court of law or equity in this State or elsewhere, and to make, have and use a common seal, and the same to renew or alter, at their pleasure.

**May hold meetings.**

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That said association shall have power to hold stated meetings, to establish and keep in execution, alter or abolish such by-laws, rules and regulations as to them shall seem most conducive to the interest of the association; *Provided*, the same be not contrary to the laws of the State or of the United States; to purchase and hold a library and apparatus, and to purchase, receive, hold, and dispose of any property, real or personal, not at any time exceeding in amount ten thousand dollars, and generally to do any other matter or thing necessary to carry into effect the object of the association.

**Proviso.****Banking privileges forbid.**

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained, shall be so construed as to authorise or empower said corporation, to issue any note, certificate, token or evidence of debt, to be used as currency, and the right is hereby expressly reserved to the General Assembly of Maryland at its pleasure, to alter, amend or annul this act of incorporation.

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