

~~(a)~~ (1) To adopt by-laws for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business;

~~(b)~~ (2) To sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded;

~~(c)~~ (3) To adopt an official seal and alter the same at pleasure;

~~(d)~~ (4) To maintain an office at such place or places as it may designate;

~~(e)~~ (5) To determine the location and character of any project to be financed under the provisions of this Act, and to construct, reconstruct, maintain, repair, operate, lease, as lessee or lessor, to regulate, and to enter into contracts for the management and operation of, a project, and to designate a participating institution for higher education or a participating hospital, as the case may be, as its agent to determine the location and character of a project undertaken by such participating institution for higher education or participating hospital under the provisions of this Act, and as its agent to construct, reconstruct, maintain, repair, operate, lease, as lessee or lessor, such project, and regulate the same, and as its agent to enter into contracts for any or all of such purposes, including contracts for the management and operation of such project;

~~(f)~~ (6) To issue bonds, bond anticipation notes and other obligations of the Authority for any of its corporate purposes, including its operating expenses, and to fund or refund the same, all as provided in this Act;

~~(g)~~ (7) Generally, to fix and revise from time to time and charge and collect rates, rents, fees and charges for the use of and for the services furnished or to be furnished by a project or any portion thereof;

~~(h)~~ (8) To establish rules and regulations for the use of a project or any portion thereof and to designate a participating institution for higher education or participating hospitals as its agent to establish rules and regulations for the use of a project undertaken by such participating institution for higher education or participating hospital;

~~(i)~~ (9) To employ consulting engineers, architects, accountants, construction and financial experts, superintendents, managers, and such other professional employees, other employees and agents as may be necessary in its judgment, and to fix their compensation;

~~(j)~~ (10) To receive and accept from any public agency loans or grants for or in aid of the construction of a project or any portion thereof, and to receive and accept loans, grants, aid or contributions from any source of either money, property, labor or other things of value, to be held, used and applied only for the purpose for which such loans, grants, aid and contributions are made, PROVIDED THAT NO HOSPITAL MAY USE ANY MONIES RECEIVED AS A RESULT OF BONDS, NOTES, OR OTHER OBLIGATIONS ISSUED BY THE AUTHORITY TO MATCH FUNDS REQUIRED BY ANY STATE LOANS OR GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION, EXPANSION, OR RENOVATION;

~~(k)~~ (11) To mortgage or otherwise pledge or encumber any project and the site thereof or to accept and hold a mortgage or other encumbrance on any project and the site thereof for the benefit of the holders of revenue bonds issued to finance such project;