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said corporation herein erected, or may be admitted into the said corporation agreeably to the constitution, rules and bye-laws of the same and their successors, are hereby declared to be one community, corporation and body politic, forever, by the name, style and title of "The Baltimore Beneficial Society;" *Provided nevertheless*, That the said corporation may be dissolved at any time by the consent of its members as is hereinafter provided.

2. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the affairs of the said society shall be managed and conducted by a President, Vice-President, Treasurer and acting committee of seven members, to be chosen annually on the first Monday in July in each and every succeeding year, in such manner as the said society shall think proper to appoint.

3. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the present members of the said society, and their successors, by their corporate name, shall and may have perpetual succession, and shall and may at all times hereafter be persons able and capable in law to purchase, take, have and enjoy, to them and their successors, in fee, or less estate or estates, any lands, tenements, rents, annuities, chattels, United States stock, Bank stock, registered debt, or other public security within this state, by the gift, purchase or devise, of or from any person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, capable to make the same; and the same at their pleasure to alien, sell, transfer or lease, in such manner as they may judge most conducive to the charitable uses of the said society; *Provided nevertheless*, that the said corporation or body politic shall not at any one time hold or possess property, real, personal or mixed, exceeding in total value, the sum of thirty thousand dollars.

4. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the members of the said corporation, and their successors, may meet together on the first Monday of July, in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, at some convenient place in the city of Baltimore, or in the precincts thereof, and on the same day annually forever thereafter, and then and there elect the officers of the said society, form such rules and regulations, and enact such bye-laws as may be necessary for assuring and carrying into effect the benevolent purposes of this act; *Provided*, such rules, regulations and bye-laws be not repugnant to the constitution and laws of the United States, of the state of Maryland, or of the corporation of the city of Baltimore.

5. AND BE IT ENACTED, That all appointments of officers for the said society, heretofore made by the members thereof in their private capacities, shall respectively continue and be in full force until the time specified by this act for the first election of officers for the said corporation.

6. AND BE IT ENACTED, That the said corpo-