

**KNIGHTS OF THE MACCABEES OF THE WORLD**  
**Act 143 of 1881**

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of “subordinate tents of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World,” and the great camp thereof for the state of Michigan; and to impose certain duties on the department of commerce.

**History:** 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—Am. 1982, Act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

**457.451 Subordinate tent of the Knights of Maccabees of the World; manner of becoming body corporate and politic.**

Sec. 1. Any subordinate tent of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World, duly organized and acting within this state, and in good standing with the great camp of said order within said state, and acting under the constitution thereof, may become a body corporate and politic in the manner following:

First, At some regular review of said tent, a resolution shall be put to vote of the members present, expressing the desire of said tent to be incorporated and directing the officers thereof to perfect such incorporation, and if such resolution shall receive a 2/3 vote of the members present, it shall be declared carried, otherwise lost;

Second, On such resolution being so passed, the sir knight commander and sir knight record keeper shall prepare articles of association under their hands and the seal of the tent, setting forth the number of persons then in good standing in the tent desiring incorporation, the name by which the tent is known, the date of its organization, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

Third, A copy of such articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, together with the affidavit hereafter named.

Fourth, On the execution of said articles of association, and before the filing thereof with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce the sir knight record keeper of such tent shall annex thereto his affidavit stating that he is a member in good standing of such tent and occupies the position of record keeper therein and that the resolution, a copy of which shall be set forth at length in such affidavit, was regularly passed at a regular review of said tent and received a 2/3 majority of the members present, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief the statements made in the articles of association are true and that said tent is organized and acting under the constitution of the great camp of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World for Michigan.

**History:** 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4573;—Am. 1883, Act 89, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1883;—CL 1897, 8026;—CL 1915, 10498;—CL 1929, 10703;—CL 1948, 457.451;—Am. 1982, Act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

**457.452 Tent as body corporate; evidence of existence and due incorporation.**

Sec. 2. When the foregoing requirements are complied with, the tent shall be a body corporate by the name expressed in such articles, and by that name shall be a person in the law capable of suing and being sued in courts, and of taking and holding property of every kind the same as natural persons, and a copy of said articles of association, duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce in whose possession they are, shall be conclusive evidence in all courts and places, of the existence and due incorporation of such tent.

**History:** 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4574;—Am. 1883, Act 89, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1883;—CL 1897, 8027;—CL 1915, 10499;—CL 1929, 10704;—CL 1948, 457.452;—Am. 1982, Act 81, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

**457.453 Great camp; declaration of incorporation; powers, control over subordinate tents.**

Sec. 3. The present great camp of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World for Michigan, incorporated June 11 A.D. 1881 under the act of which this act is amendatory, is hereby declared to be duly and regularly incorporated, capable of suing and being sued, and of holding and transferring property, and to have sole jurisdiction over and control of all subordinate tents heretofore organized or that may be hereafter organized in the state of Michigan and bearing the name or title of the Knights of the Maccabees of the World, subject only to the constitution and laws of the order.

**History:** 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4575;—Am. 1883, Act 89, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1883;—CL 1897, 8028;—CL 1915, 10500;—CL 1929, 10705;—CL 1948, 457.453.

**457.454 Great camp; property, disposition, control.**

Sec. 4. The property, real and personal, of said great camp of Michigan Maccabees, and any incorporation

formed under this act, shall be held, disposed of, managed and controlled by such persons, and in such manner as the majority of the members shall from time to time determine in accordance with the constitution and laws of the order.

**History:** 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4576;—Am. 1883, Act 89, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1883;—CL 1897, 8029;—CL 1915, 10501;—CL 1929, 10706;—CL 1948, 457.454.

#### **457.455 Control of property and business.**

Sec. 5. The management, direction and control of the property and business of such corporations shall be vested in such of its officers and persons as a majority of the members present and acting thereon shall from time to time determine.

**History:** 1881, Act 143, Imd. Eff. May 11, 1881;—How. 4577;—CL 1897, 8030;—CL 1915, 10502;—CL 1929, 10707;—CL 1948, 457.455.

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