ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Act 35 of 1909

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of Order of the Eastern Star associations; and to impose certain duties upon the department of commerce.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—Am. 1982, Act 97, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.271 Order of Eastern Star association; incorporation.

Sec. 1. Associations of the Order of the Eastern Star may be incorporated under the provisions of this act.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10434;—CL 1929, 10635;—CL 1948, 457.271.

457.272 Articles of association; execution, contents.

Sec. 2. Any 10 or more residents of this state, who are members of any chartered body or of different chartered bodies of the Order of the Eastern Star, may make and execute articles of association under their hands and seals, which said articles of association shall be acknowledged before some officer of this state having authority to take acknowledgments of deeds, and shall set forth:

First, The names of the persons associating in the first instance, their places of residence and the name and location of the Order of the Eastern Star body or bodies to which they severally belong;

Second, The corporate name by which such association shall be known in the law;

Third, The purpose of the association, which shall be to provide a building or buildings to be used for Order of the Eastern Star purposes, and the period for which such association is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10435;—CL 1929, 10636;—CL 1948, 457.272.

457.273 Filing copy of articles with department of commerce; signers of articles, associates, and successors as body corporate; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 3. A copy of said articles of association shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and thereupon the persons who shall have signed said articles of association, their associates and successors, shall be a body corporate by the name expressed in such articles of association. A copy of such articles of association, under the seal of the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be received as prima facie evidence in all courts of this state of the existence and due incorporation of such association.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10436;—CL 1929, 10637;—CL 1948, 457.273;—Am. 1982, Act 97, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.274 Powers of corporation; property, holding, disposition.

Sec. 4. Every corporation organized under the provisions of this act may take, receive, purchase and hold in its corporate capacity and for its corporate purposes real and personal property, and the same or any part thereof demise, sell, convey, use and dispose of at pleasure; and may erect and own suitable building or buildings to be used in whole or in part for meetings of Order of the Eastern Star bodies, and may borrow money, and for that purpose may issue its bonds and mortgage its property to secure the payment of said bonds.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10437;—CL 1929, 10638;—CL 1948, 457.274.

457.275 Powers of corporation; issuance of stock.

Sec. 5. Every such corporation shall have full power and authority to provide by its by-laws for the issuing of certificates or shares of stock and for the manner in which the same shall be held and represented.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10438;—CL 1929, 10639;—CL 1948, 457.275.

457.276 Membership; election of officers and trustees; terms.

Sec. 6. Every such corporation shall elect annually a president, vice president and secretary and shall have power to provide by its by-laws for succession to its original membership and for new membership; and shall provide by its by-laws for election from its members of a board of trustees, and shall fix the number and term of office of such trustees: Provided, Such board shall consist of not less than 5 in number and such term of office shall not exceed 3 years.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10439;—CL 1929, 10640;—CL 1948, 457.276.

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457.277 Management and control.

Sec. 7. The management and control of the business, affairs and property of such corporation shall be vested in said board of trustees, and said board shall have power to borrow any money and cause to be made and issued any bonds and mortgages authorized by section 4 of this act. Said trustees shall appoint from their number a chairman, vice chairman, secretary and treasurer, who shall perform the duties of their respective offices in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the board of trustees.

History: 1909, Act 35, Eff. Sept. 1, 1909;—CL 1915, 10440;—CL 1929, 10641;—CL 1948, 457.277.

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