UNITED FRIENDS OF MICHIGAN
Act 49 of 1893

AN ACT to provide for the incorporation of the supreme commandery and subordinate commanderies of the United Friends of Michigan; and to impose certain duties on the department of commerce.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

457.631 Supreme commandery or chartered subordinate commandery; manner of incorporation.

Sec. 1. That the supreme commandery of United Friends of Michigan and any subordinate commandery duly chartered by such supreme commandery, pursuant to the provisions of the constitution and laws of said supreme commandery, may become a body corporate and politic in the manner following:

First, At some meeting of the executive committee which shall be composed of 6 members, citizens of the United States, of said supreme commandery, held pursuant to the constitution and laws thereof, a resolution shall be adopted by a vote of 2/3 of said executive committee, expressing the desire and determination of such supreme commandery to become incorporated;

Second, On such resolution being passed, the executive committee shall prepare articles of association, under their hands and the seal of such supreme commandery, setting forth the number, name and location of all subordinate commanderies then in good standing, under the jurisdiction of such supreme commandery, the name by which the supreme commandery is known, the date of its organization, a copy of the resolution mentioned in the first subdivision of this act, the corporate name by which the supreme commandery shall be known in law; the object and purpose of the association is fraternal insurance, to be conducted under the laws controlling life insurance in this state, in which no insurance shall hereafter be taken on a person under 18 or over 50 years of age, and the period for which it is incorporated, not exceeding 30 years, to which shall be appended a copy of the constitution and laws of the supreme commandery;

Third, The supreme secretary shall make and annex to such articles of association, an affidavit stating the official position occupied in the supreme commandery by the several members of the executive committee, that the resolution, a copy of which is set out in the articles of association, was duly passed at a meeting of the executive committee, held pursuant to the constitution and that the same was passed by a 2/3 vote of all of said executive committee, that all the statements in said articles of association are true to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, and that the constitution and laws of such supreme commandery, a copy of which is appended to said articles of association, has been adopted by such supreme commandery;

Fourth, A copy of such articles of association, with all the papers mentioned in the second subdivision of this act, and of the affidavit of said supreme secretary, by the supreme secretary duly attested, shall be filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce.

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457.632 Supreme commandery as body corporate and politic; power and authority; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 2. When all the foregoing requirements are complied with, the supreme commandery of United Friends of Michigan, shall be a body corporate and politic, by name expressed in such articles of association and by that name shall be in law capable of suing and being sued, in all the courts of this state, with full power and authority to transact the business of said association, pursuant to the constitution and laws thereof, and said articles of association or a copy thereof duly attested by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, under the seal thereof, shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state, of the existence and incorporation of said supreme commandery of United Friends of Michigan.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8117;—CL 1915, 10591;—CL 1929, 10792;—CL 1948, 457.632;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.633 Supreme commandery; amendment of constitution and laws.

Sec. 3. The supreme commandery of United Friends of Michigan is hereby authorized to amend its constitution and laws at any regular meeting of said supreme commandery or at a special meeting called for that purpose, after its incorporation, but such amendments shall not be inconsistent with the objects and purposes of such association as stated in its articles of association, and such constitution and laws shall be in force from and after the filing with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce of an

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attested copy thereof, under the hand of the supreme secretary and the seal of said supreme commandery.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8118;—CL 1915, 10592;—CL 1929, 10793;—CL 1948, 457.633;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.634 Subordinate commanderies; chartering; existing commanderies; regulation.

Sec. 4. Such association, when duly formed, shall have power to institute and charter subordinate commanderies of said order within this state, and from time to time to make, ordain, constitute such general laws, by-laws and regulations for the government of such subordinate commanderies not repugnant to law or to the constitution or regulations of the supreme commandery as to them shall seem proper and necessary; and in the case of the violation or non-compliance with such general laws, by-laws and regulations, to revoke and annul the charter granted to such subordinate commandery: Provided, That the existing subordinate commanderies heretofore duly instituted and chartered by the supreme commandery shall be subject to the control of said supreme commandery under this act as heretofore, and in the same manner and to the same extent as those that may be hereafter instituted and chartered under this act.

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457.635 Chartered subordinate commandery; incorporation; evidence of existence and incorporation.

Sec. 5. Any subordinate commandery now chartered, or which may hereafter be chartered, by the supreme commandery of the United Friends of Michigan, may become incorporated and a body corporate and politic, by passing, by a 2/3 vote of all the members present, at any regular meeting of such subordinate commandery, a like resolution, as provided in section 1 of this act, executing similar articles of association, under the hands of its commander, secretary and trustee, and the seal of the commandery, and appending thereto the affidavit of its secretary, setting forth the official character of the several officers, that said resolution was passed at a regular meeting, and received the affirmative vote of 2/3 of all the members present and filing the same with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce and causing such articles of association and said affidavit to be recorded in a book to be kept for that purpose, and a copy of said articles of association duly certified by the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce, shall be prima facie evidence in all the courts of this state, of the existence and incorporation of such subordinate commandery.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8120;—CL 1915, 10594;—CL 1929, 10795;—CL 1948, 457.635;—Am. 1982, Act 109, Imd. Eff. Apr. 19, 1982.

457.636 Property; holding, disposition; control of business.

Sec. 6. Every corporation formed pursuant to this act may take and hold personal and real property, so far as the same shall be necessary for the proper purposes of the organization, not exceeding 10,000 dollars in value, and may convey, dispose of, mortgage, and deal with the same, as may be determined by the constitution, laws and by-laws of such supreme commandery, or of such subordinate commandery, as the case may be. The management, direction and control of the property and business of such corporations shall be vested in such officers as the constitution and laws of the supreme commandery may direct.

History: 1893, Act 49, Eff. Aug. 28, 1893;—CL 1897, 8121;—CL 1915, 10595;—CL 1929, 10796;—CL 1948, 457.636.

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