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# BILL 56

A Bill to Incorporate The Sisters of The Precious Blood of Edmonton

HON. MR. GERHART

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#### No. 56 of 1964

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(Assented to

, 1964)

Preamble

WHEREAS an order or association of nuns or women has existed for some time in the Province of Alberta under the name of "The Sisters of the Precious Blood of Edmonton", having for its object the practice of works of piety, mercy and charity.

AND WHEREAS the said order or association, through the officers and members undermentioned, have by their Petition set forth that the incorporation of the said order or association would enable them to attain more effectively their objects;

AND WHEREAS the said Petition prays for the incorporation of the said order or association, and it is expedient that the prayer of the said Petition be granted.

THEREFORE HER MAJESTY by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta enacts as follows:

Incorporation

1. Mother St. Francis (nee Marie McQuaid) Superior, Sister St. Gertrude (nee Marion Kenny) Assistant, and Sister Mary Theresa (nee Blanche Lyndecker) Bursar, and such other members who now are or who may hereafter become members of such order or association shall be and the same are hereby constituted and declared to be a body corporate and politic under the name of "The Sisters of the Precious Blood of Edmonton".

Provisional directors

2. The persons named in section 1 of this Act shall be the provisional directors of the corporation, and shall hold office until their successors in office have been chosen according to the by-laws of the corporation.

By-laws

- 3. Three members of the said corporation, namely, the superior, the assistant, and the bursar shall form the first council of the said corporation, and the said council may, if deemed expedient from time to time, make by-laws not contrary to law for
  - (a) increasing the number of councillors to five or seven or for reducing same to five or three, as the case may be,

- (b) the administration, management and control of the property, business and other temporal affairs of the corporation,
- (c) the appointment, term of office, functions, duties and remuneration of all members, officers, agents and servants of the corporation and their successors.
- (d) the admission of members to and their dismissal from the corporation, and
- (e) generally for the carrying out of the objects and purposes of the corporation.

Vacancies

4. On the occurrence of any temporary vacancy in the council of the corporation, or in case of absence of the said superior, the assistant or bursar, the remaining members of the council may appoint some member of the corporation to fill the vacancy until a permanent appointment has been made in accordance with the by-laws of the corporation.

Acquisition of property

- 5. (1) The corporation may acquire by gift, devise, purchase, exchange, lease or otherwise real or personal property of any and every nature and kind whatsoever and may possess, hold and enjoy the same as owner.
- (2) The corporation may acquire, take possession of and hold as the corporation may deem proper all such property (real, personal or mixed) as may at any time be mortgaged, hypothecated or pledged to the corporation by way of security or conveyed to it in satisfaction of obligations or debts due or owing to it from any person, firm or corporation.

Investments 6. The corporation may also sell, convey, exchange, alienate, mortgage, lease or demise any real or personal property held by it, whether by way of investment for the uses and purposes of the corporation or not, and may also from time to time invest all or any of its funds or moneys and all or any funds or moneys invested or acquired by it for the uses and purposes aforesaid, in and upon any security by way of mortgage, hypothec, or charge upon real or personal property; and for the purposes of such investment may take, receive and accept mortgages or assignments thereof, whether made or executed directly to the corporation, or to any corporation, body, company or person in trust for it, and may sell, grant, assign and transfer such mortgages or assignments either wholly or in part.

Execution of instruments 7. Any deed, transfer, mortgage, charge or other instrument relating to or dealing with real estate or any interest therein in the said corporation, shall be deemed to be and shall be duly executed and shall be sufficient for the purposes for which same is intended, if there are affixed

thereto the seal of the corporation and the signature of two members of the council of said corporation.

Borrowing powers

- 8. The corporation may from time to time for its purposes:
  - (a) borrow money upon the credit of the corporation;
  - (b) limit or increase the amount to be borrowed:
  - (c) make, draw, endorse, or become a party to promissory notes, bills of exchange and negotiable instruments, every and such note, bill or negotiable instrument, made, and drawn, accepted or endorsed by the party thereof authorized by the by-laws of the corporation and countersigned by the proper party thereto authorized by the said by-laws, shall be binding upon the corporation and shall be presumed to have authority until the contrary is shown; and it shall not be necessary in any case to have the seal of the corporation affixed to any such bill, note or negotiable instrument;
  - (d) mortgage, hypothecate or pledge the real or personal property of the corporation, or both, to secure any money borrowed for the purpose of the corporation.

General

- 9. (1) The corporation shall have full power and authority in any manner not contrary to law,
  - (a) to carry on such exercises and works of piety, mercy and charity as may be determined by the council of the corporation,
  - (b) to establish in any place within the Province of Alberta convents, novitiates, branches or establishments of the order and to nominate and appoint managers of the same.
  - (c) to establish the seat or head office of the corporation at Edmonton, Alberta with liberty to have the seat or head office of the corporation changed to any other place in Alberta, which the said corporation may deem expedient or necessary,
  - (d) to appoint officers, administrators and attorneys and to define their powers and to nominate an attorney or attorneys not being members of the said corporation, and
  - (e) generally to exercise all such powers as are necessary for the carrying out of the objects and purposes of the corporation.
- (2) The said corporation may exercise any industry that may help them to maintain their institution and may bargain and sell the products of the same provided they conform to the laws of the Province.

Accounting

10. The corporation shall at all times when called upon

to do so by the Lieutenant Governor in Council render an account in writing of its property and affairs.

Tax exemption

11. All of the real property hereinafter described, namely:

Lots Fifty-seven (57), Fifty-eight (58), and Fiftynine (59), in Block Eleven (11) in the Hudson's Bay Company's Reserve subdivision of the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta, Dominion of Canada, of record in the Land Titles Office for the North Alberta Land Registration District as Plan "B"

shall, as of January 1st, A.D. 1964, be exempt from assessment and taxation except for local improvement taxes and taxes pertaining to minerals so long as the same is owned by "The Sisters of the Precious Blood of Edmonton" and used by it for religious and spiritual purposes.

General laws 12. The powers herein granted shall be subject to the general laws of the Province now in force or hereinafter enacted.

Short title 13. This Act may be cited as "The Sisters of the Precious Blood of Edmonton Act".

Commencement of Act is assented to.

14. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

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