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No. 37 of 1911.

An Act to Incorporate The Edmonton City Mission Association of the Methodist Church.

(Assented to 1911.)

WHEREAS Rev. John H. Riddell, D.D., Rev. John E. Hughson, Rev. Thomas Powell; Harry R. Smith, physician; William W. Chown, merchant; H. J. Saigeon, accountant; Rev. William W. Lewis, Rev. Joseph Coulter, Rev. William H. Pike; D. B. Lake, merchant, and Arthur T. Cushing, merchant, all of the City of Edmonton, in the Province of Alberta, have, by their petition, represented that an association under the name of "The Edmonton City Mission Association of the Methodist Church" has existed for some years in the said City of Edmonton, having for its objects all departments of mission work, kindergarten work, the employment of deaconesses, and other various forms of educational and benevolent work, and the giving of financial assistance, by way of loan or gift, to new or weak churches, to establish new churches, to secure sites for new churches, and to promote the organization of Sunday Schools and preaching services where regular churches are not established, under the doctrines and general rules governing the Methodist Church;

And whereas the members of the said association have by their petition prayed to be incorporated as hereinafter provided;

And whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition:

Therefore His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

- 1. There shall be and there is hereby constituted and established a body politic and corporate under the name of "The Edmonton City Mission Association of the Methodist Church" (hereinafter called "the society"), which society shall consist of Rev. John H. Riddell, D.D.; Rev. John E. Hughson; Rev. Thomas Powell; Harry R. Smith, physician; William W. Chown, merchant; H. J. Saigeon, accountant; Rev. William W. Lewis; Rev. Joseph Coulter; Rev. William H. Pike; D. B. Lake, merchant, and Arthur T. Cushing, merchant, and such persons as now are, or may hereafter be appointed by "The Stationing Committee" of the Methodist Church, ministers of any Methodist Church within the City of Edmonton, and a layman from each Methodist Church in said City of Edmonton desiring to co-operate with the society, together with such additional members as the society may hereafter from time to time deem desirable or necessary to elect.
- 2. The personal property of said association shall become the property of and is hereby vested in said society.
- 3. The objects of said society shall be all departments of mission work, kindergarten work, the employment of deaconesses, and other various forms of educational and benevolent work, and the giving of financial assistance, by way of loan

or gift, to other Methodist churches, to establish new churches, to secure sites for new churches, and to promote the organization of Sunday Schools and preaching services where regular churches are not established, under the doctrines and general rules governing the Methodist Church.

- 4. The said society may, from time to time, make rules and by-laws for the constitution and government of the said society, and for the guidance of its officers, and may alter, amend and annul the said rules or by-laws, from time to time, provided always that such rules or by-laws are not contrary to this Act or repugnant to the rules and by-laws of the Methodist Church governing such societies.
- 5. The said society shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, and may, at all times hereafter, sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, in any matter whatsoever, in all courts and places whatsoever in this province, and shall have power to take under any legal title whatsoever and to hold for the said society or for any Methodist Church or congregation in this province, all land and property, moveable and immoveable, which may be hereafter sold, ceded, exchanged, given, bequeathed or granted to the said society, or said church or congregation, or to sell, alienate, convey, let or lease the same if need be:

Provided also that the said society may acquire any other real estate, or any interests therein, by gift, devise, bequest or otherwise, and the said society may sell or dispose of such estate, or any portion thereof, or interest therein, from time to time, whenever it may seem expedient to do so:

And provided also that the proceeds of such property as shall have been disposed of, and any other moneys belonging to the said society, may be invested in any security whatsoever for the use of the society, or in accordance with the trusts on which the same is held:

And provided that the said society may take, hold, and dispose of any real or personal property, or any interests therein, for the purposes aforesaid, for the use of the said society, or in accordance with the trusts on which the same is held, and the said society shall further have the right to appoint an attorney or attorneys for the management of its affairs, and all the rights necessarily incident to a body corporate.

6. The said society is hereby empowered to borrow from any corporation, individual or individuals, such sum of money, at such rate or rates of interest, and at such times and for such length of time as to the said society shall seem expedient or advisable, and the said society is also hereby empowered to grant, mortgage, hypothecate or pledge all, or any portion of their estate, real or personal, including stocks, shares, bonds. debentures, promissory notes, bills of exchange, or other securities, of which they may, at the passing of this Act, or at any future time, become seized, possessed or in any way interested in, to secure repayment of the moneys so borrowed, when and so often as they deem it expedient and necessary, and to make and execute, under its corporate seal and the hand of its president or vice-president and secretary-treasurer respectively, and all other officers, for the time being according to the rules and by-laws of the said society, all proper deeds, bonds, debentures, mortgages, and instruments and to do all other acts, matters and things requisite and necessary to effect and accomplish all and singular the premises and all other things provided for by the powers hereby granted and such deeds, bonds, debentures, mortgages and instruments may contain such powers, terms and conditions as the said society may consider necessary and expedient.

- 7. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize the society to issue any note payable to the bearer thereof or any promissory note intended to be circulated as money or as the note of a bank.
- 8. The society may, from time to time, have or establish and maintain any number of branches thereof to promote the objects of the society, and for such purpose to appoint such subordinate officers with such powers and tenure of office as the society may deem advisable.
- 9. The officers and members of the board of directors of the association at the time of the passing of this Act shall be the officers and members of the board of directors of said society and shall retain their respective offices and positions until others shall be elected in their places.
- 10. The society may, by by-law, increase or decrease the number of directors and provide as to their qualifications, mode of election, and the time for which they shall hold office.
- 11. It shall be the duty of the said society, at all times when it may be called upon by the Lieutenant Governor in Council of this province, to render an account in writing of its affairs and property.
 - 12. This Act shall be deemed a public Act.
- 13. All Acts, Ordinances and portions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed in so far as may be necessary to give full effect to the provisions of this Act.
- 14. This Act shall come into force on the day it is assented to.

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