



CHAPTER 147

An Act to incorporate Jewish General Hospital

[Assented to, the 15th of March, 1933]

WHEREAS Allan Bronfman, Samuel Bronfman, Charles Bernard Fainer, Morris Ginsberg, merchants, all of the city of Westmount, in the district of Montreal; Michael Hirsch and Robert Hirsch, gentlemen, both of the city and district of Montreal; Abraham Hirsch Jassby, merchant, of the city of Westmount, in the district of Montreal; David Kirsch, merchant, of the city and district of Montreal; Joseph Levinson, Sr., gentleman, Michael Morris, merchant, both of the city of Westmount, in the district of Montreal; Hyman Reubins, manufacturer, of the city of Outremont, in the district of Montreal; Hyman Mendel Ripstein, Louis Salomon, merchants, both of the city of Westmount, in the district of Montreal; Joseph Schubert, alderman, of the city and district of Montreal; Isaac Silverstone, insurance agent, of the city and district of Montreal; Abraham Moses Vineberg, realtor, and Max Wiseman, physician, both of the city of Westmount, in the district of Montreal, have, by petition, represented, that they were appointed by a meeting of a large number of Jewish citizens held at the city of Montreal on May 27th, 1929, in order to prepare and direct a campaign for the raising of capital funds for the erection of a hospital, and to function in all respects until the completion of the hospital; that the petitioners in order to give legal effect to the above, did cause to be incorporated the Jewish Hospital Campaign Committee, Inc., by letters patent issued by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, and the latter corporation did solicit subscriptions for and did erect the said hospital, and it is now opportune to form and organize a corporation, under the name of

“Jewish General Hospital”, in order that the corporation to be formed may have the powers and perform the acts hereinafter mentioned; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant the said petition;

Therefore, His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council, and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

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| Incorporation. | 1. The petitioners hereinabove mentioned, and all other persons who may hereafter be elected members, are hereby incorporated under the name of “Jewish General Hospital”. |
| Name. | |
| Acquiring, etc., of property, etc. | 2. The Jewish General Hospital shall have the right to acquire the moveable and immoveable property generally and all assets of whatsoever kind or description, possessed by or belonging to the Jewish Hospital Campaign Committee, Inc., and to assume all the liabilities of the latter corporation; such acquisition shall be made by notarial deed and be signed by the parties concerned. |
| Procedure for acquisition. | |
| Powers of the corporation. | <p>3. The corporation shall have perpetual succession and shall have the powers, rights and privileges pertaining to ordinary civil corporations, and it may:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Have a common seal and alter it at will; b. Appear before the courts; c. Accept, acquire and possess, in any way recognized by law, moveable and immoveable property, corporeal or incorporeal, provided the net annual revenue from the immoveable property, belonging to the corporation and possessed by it for revenue purposes, does not exceed three hundred thousand dollars, the whole notwithstanding the provisions of section 3 of the Mortmain Act, (Revised Statutes, 1925, chapter 229); d. In the event of the corporation acquiring by legacy, gift or otherwise, any immoveable property over and above what it is authorized to hold, such acquisition shall not be null on that account, but the corporation shall be bound, within ten years from the coming into possession of the said property, to sell or alienate the same, or any of its properties, so as not to exceed the amount above specified; e. Administer its property and draw the revenues therefrom, rent, sell, exchange, cede and alienate the same in any manner whatsoever, or otherwise dispose of the same; f. Borrow money on the credit of the corporation; g. Issue bonds or other securities of the corporation, and give the same in guarantee or sell them at the price and amount considered advisable by the corporation; |

h. Hypothecate, mortgage, or pledge the whole or any part of the moveable and/or immoveable property of the corporation to secure the payment of such loans or securities;

i. Solicit and campaign for, by means of public meetings, advertisements, circulars, and all other lawful means, and receive, accept and acquire, contributions and pledges (whether consisting of money or otherwise), for the maintenance, operation, expansion and alteration of the hospital;

The corporation's powers may be exercised and its intents and purposes undertaken and carried out by it, either as principal or agent, or in conjunction or coöperation with other institutions or persons, or by contributing to, or otherwise assisting other institutions or persons.

4. The objects and purposes for which the corporation is created by this act are: Objects of corporation.

a. To operate, equip and maintain a general hospital, and to perform the functions and engage in the practices usually carried on by a general hospital for the sick and injured;

b. The admission and care of sick and injured persons, subject to such limitations and charges as may be hereafter determined upon and settled by the by-laws of the said corporation;

c. The admission and care of sick and injured persons as pauper patients, subject to such limitations and regulations as may be determined by the said by-laws;

d. The granting of relief to persons requiring the same by reason of accident;

e. The giving of medical advice and aid in medicine, surgery and in all allied arts and sciences to the poor, subject to such limitations and regulations as may be determined by the said by-laws;

f. To promote the surgical and medical sciences, establish and develop laboratories for clinics, experimenting and scientific research, or coöperate with any other corporation in establishing and developing such laboratories for clinics, experimenting or scientific research, and, subject to section 1 and following of chapter 212 of the Revised Statutes, 1925, respecting anatomy, to practise dissection on bodies for the instruction of surgeons and physicians;

g. The giving of instruction in medicine, surgery and nursing;

h. To train nurses and mothers' aids and grant them certificates of capacity as such, in conformity with the law;

i. The establishment or acquisition and the carrying on of homes for incurables, and for aged and infirm persons, and sanatoria for the treatment of tuberculosis and other diseases, and convalescent homes and nurses' residences and homes, and nurses' clubs and any other institutions of a similar nature.

Board of
administra-
tion.

5. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a board of administration, not exceeding twenty-five members.

Board of
trustees.

Duties
thereof.

6. There shall, in addition, be a board of trustees, not exceeding twenty-five in number, whose duty it shall be to pass upon the capital expenditures, to ratify annual budgets, to have control of the Endowment Fund of the corporation and of the immoveable property of the corporation, and generally to act in an advisory and consultative capacity to the board of administration.

Procedure
in case of
deadlock,
etc.

7. In case of deadlock or ultimate disagreement between the board of administration and the board of trustees (in the cases where the latter has power to act), the matter in dispute shall, as soon as reasonably possible, be referred to a general meeting of the members of the corporation, giving notice of such disagreement, and the decision of the corporation thereon shall govern.

Honorary
officers, etc.

8. The corporation may make provision for honorary officers and honorary members therein.

Powers of
board of
administra-
tion.

9. The said board of administration shall have full power in all things to administer the affairs of the corporation, including the appointment and removal of the medical and surgical staff, and other officers and servants of the corporation, and may make or cause to be made for the corporation, any description of contract which the corporation may by law enter into, and may from time to time make by-laws, not contrary to law or to this act, and without limiting the generality of the foregoing, may make by-laws respecting: the appointment, functions, duties, and removal of all physicians, surgeons and apothecaries, and all agents, officers and servants of the said corporation; the security, if any, to be given by them to the corporation; the time at which and place where the annual meetings of the corporation shall be held; the calling of meetings, regular and special, of the board of administration of the corporation; the quorum and the procedure in all such

things at such meetings; the imposition and recovery of all penalties and forfeitures admitting of regulation by by-law; the attendance of students in medicine and surgery at the hospital; the appointment and removal of surgical and other instructors; the government, limitation and rules to be observed in the admission of sick and injured persons; the granting of relief to outdoor patients, and the conduct in all other particulars of the affairs of the corporation; and may from time to time repeal, amend, or reenact such by-laws; but every by-law and every repeal, amendment and reenactment thereof, unless in the meantime confirmed at a general meeting of the corporation, duly called for that purpose, shall only have force until the next annual meeting of the said corporation, and, in default of confirmation thereat, shall at and from that time only cease to have effect.

Such by-laws, rules and regulations shall have the same force and effect, as if they were embodied in this act, and copies thereof, under the seal and purporting to be signed by the secretary or treasurer of the said corporation, shall be received as *prima facie* evidence thereof in all courts of justice.

Authenticity of copies of by-laws, etc.

10. The corporation may from time to time invest the funds or moneys belonging to it, in accordance with the provisions of article 981o of the Civil Code.

Investing of funds.

11. The corporation shall have the power to acquire or amalgamate with, or affiliate with, any other hospital or hospitals, institutions for incurables, sanatoria for the treatment of tuberculosis, or other diseases, convalescent homes, or other institutions of like nature.

Amalgamation, etc., with hospitals, etc.

12. The holders of bonds of the Jewish Hospital Campaign Committee, Inc., may exercise their rights against the property of the Jewish General Hospital, and the acquiring of the property of the Jewish Hospital Campaign Committee, Inc., by the Jewish General Hospital, shall in no way prejudice the rights of the said bondholders against the property of the Jewish Hospital Campaign Committee, Inc.

Preservation of rights of holders of certain bonds.

13. It shall not be necessary for the validity of any act done by a married woman as a member, administratrix, or officer of the corporation, that she be specially authorized for that purpose by her husband. In no case shall her husband be responsible for the acts of his wife done in such capacity.

Authorization of husband not required in certain case.

Head office. **14.** The head office of the corporation shall be in the district of Montreal.

Statement
to Lt.-Gov.
in Council. **15.** The corporation shall transmit to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, annually, and whenever thereunto required, a statement of its moveable and immoveable property, the names of its officers and a certified copy of its by-laws.

Coming into
force. **16.** This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.