



CHAPTER 153

An Act to incorporate *Sœurs Servantes de Notre-Dame, Reine du Clergé*

[Assented to, the 11th of March, 1931]

WHEREAS the Reverend Dames Marie Anne Ouellet, in Preamble.
religion Sister Marie Joseph de l'Eucharistie; Marie Yvonne St. Laurent, in religion Sister Marie de St. Edmond; Florentine Couture, in religion Sister Marie de St. Bernard, and Antoinette Vallée, in religion Sister Marie de Ste. Anne, have, by their petition, represented:

That the chief object of their community is to establish and maintain convents, monasteries, hospitals, asylums and orphanages, and to care for presbyteries;

That, in order to attain these ends, they need to acquire and hold property and, for such purpose, desire to be incorporated under the name of "*Sœurs Servantes de Notre-Dame, Reine du Clergé*";

That the petitioners have obtained the consent of His Lordship Bishop Courchesne, of Rimouski;

Whereas there is no objection to their petition and it is expedient to grant same;

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

1. The Reverend Dames Marie Anne Ouellet, in religion Sister Marie Joseph de l'Eucharistie; Marie Yvonne St. Laurent, in religion Sister Marie de St. Edmond; Florentine Couture, in religion Sister Marie de St. Bernard, and Antoinette Vallée, in religion Sister Marie de Ste. Anne, and such persons as may hereafter succeed or be associated with them, in accordance with the rules, statutes and regulations of their Order or community, are incorporated under the name of "*Sœurs Servantes de Notre-Dame, Reine du Clergé*".

Corporate seat. **2.** The chief or corporate seat of the corporation shall be in the parish of Lac-au-Saumon, county of Matapedia, but may be changed at will by by-law adopted by the corporation, provided that it be in the Province of Quebec.

Publication of by-law. Such by-law shall, before coming into force, be published in the *Quebec Official Gazette*.

Powers of corporation. **3.** The corporation shall have the powers, rights and privileges pertaining to ordinary civil corporations, and it may:

a. Have a common seal and alter it at will;

b. Appear before the courts;

c. Accept, acquire and possess, according to law, rights, moveables and immoveables, provided the annual revenue from the immoveables belonging to the corporation and possessed by it, for revenue purposes, does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars;

d. Administer such property and draw the revenues thereof, rent, sell, exchange, cede and alienate the same in any way whatsoever, or otherwise dispose of same;

e. Borrow money on the credit of the corporation;

f. Issue bonds or other securities of the corporation and give the same in guarantee or sell them at the price and amount considered advisable;

g. Hypothecate, mortgage or pledge the moveables or immoveables of the corporation to assure the payment of such bonds or other securities or give a part only of these guarantees for the same object; and constitute the hypothec, mortgage or pledge, mentioned in this sub-paragraph, by a deed of trust or in any other way;

h. Hypothecate or mortgage the immoveables to assure the payment of loans made otherwise than by bond issue as well as the payment or execution of other debts, contracts or undertakings of the corporation.

Rules and by-laws. **4.** The corporation shall be governed by its rules. It may exercise all the powers necessary for its objects and, for such purpose, adopt any by-laws, in particular, for the disposal and administration of its property, its internal government, the constitution of its council, the number, election and powers of its members and their admission and leaving.

Representation. In any deeds to which it is a party, the corporation may act through any person authorized for such purpose by a resolution of its council.

5. The corporation may found, establish and maintain, ^{Additional} in any part of this Province, monasteries, branches, novi- ^{powers.} tates, hospitals, asylums and orphanages; erect such buildings as are suitable for its purposes in each place where it may have an establishment, and establish, in conformity with the conditions and formalities required by law and the regulations of the Board of Health of the Province of Quebec, a cemetery upon the property of each of its establishments, or a vault in each of its chapels, for the disposal of the mortal remains of the members or benefactors of the community, or of any other person in any way connected with the community.

6. The corporation may manage and administer its ^{Council of} affairs by its council, elected and appointed in accordance ^{administra-} with the constitution and by-laws of the community, ap- ^{tion.} point procurators or administratrices from among its members, or attorneys outside of the community.

7. The signatures of the members of the council or of ^{Binding} any other person appointed by resolution of the said council ^{signatures.} shall bind the corporation.

8. The corporation shall transmit to the Lieutenant- ^{Annual sta-} Governor in Council, annually, in the month of January, and ^{tement to} whenever thereunto required, a statement of the property ^{Lt.-Gov. in} held by the corporation, the names of its officers and a copy ^{C.} of its rules and by-laws.

9. This act shall come into force on the day of its ^{Coming into} sanction. ^{force.}