

10. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a member aged sixteen years or over may, validly and without the aid of his father or tutor, apply for and obtain admission to the corporation. Minors of 16 years of age.

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

CHAP. 150

An Act to incorporate "The King Edward Benefit Association of Montreal"

[Assented to, 25th of February, 1921]

WHEREAS the persons hereinbelow mentioned have, Preamble.
by their petition, represented that they are members of the King Edward Benefit Association of Montreal;

Whereas it is necessary for the proper working and prosperity of The King Edward Benefit Association of Montreal that it be incorporated, in order that the corporation shall enjoy more extensive powers and better-defined rights and privileges;

Whereas the petitioners are desirous of constituting themselves and others who may subsequently become members thereof a corporation for the purpose of assisting its members in case of sickness, accident, inability to work, reverses of fortune and death, and to grant assistance and aid and confer all other benefits upon the widowers, widows, children, heirs or legatees of all members, including funeral and cemetery benefits, and to secure to its members all other advantages which may from time to time be conferred by the by-laws of the association;

Whereas they have prayed that, for the better attainment of the objects above mentioned, they be vested with corporate powers, and

Whereas it is expedient to grant their prayer;

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

1. Paul Katz, J. P., S. C. C., merchant; Louis Birke, Corporation employee; Morris Cohen, manufacturer; Abraham Kohos, created. Montreal Architectural Iron Works; Charles Brotman, factory manager; Hyman Smith, merchant; Max Plonsky, foreman; Asias Goldstein, foreman; Israel Barrer, merchant; J. Morris Foss, foreman; Peter Baker, tailor;

Objects. Jacob Abraham, carpenter; Solomon Chaiken, foreman; Hossias Bloomberg, tinsmith; Izzy Osnas, wood-turner; Harris Pudjinsky, merchant; Abraham Dardick, tailor; Joseph Wisotsky, tailor; Bennie Rosenthal, tailor; all of the city and district of Montreal, and all others who may subsequently become members thereof, are hereby constituted, according to law, a corporation to assist its members in case of sickness, accident, inability to work, reverses of fortune and death, and to grant assistance and aid and confer all other benefits upon the widowers, widows, and children, heirs or legatees, of all members, including funeral and cemetery benefits, and to give every possible moral and material assistance in virtue of its statutes and by-laws to its members and to those who are dependent on them; to establish a benefit fund out of which, on satisfactory proof of the death of a member of the society, there shall be paid to the beneficiaries by them indicated or their legal heirs, such sum or sums as shall be regulated by the by-laws of the corporation, to secure to its members all other advantages which may from time to time be conferred by the by-laws of the association.

Chief place. **2.** The principal place of business of the corporation shall be in the city of Montreal, and the corporation to be formed shall be constituted a corporation under the name of "The King Edward Benefit Association of Montreal".

Name. Head office. **3.** The head office of the association shall be in the city of Montreal, and, subject to the provisions from time to time enacted by the by-laws of the corporation, branches may be established in the Province of Quebec and whenever it may consider it to be in the interests of its members to do so, at any time under the name and title set forth in the letters-patent granted by the society.

Branches. Powers of head office. **4.** The head office shall alone have power to make the by-laws necessary for the working of the said branches, and the branches and the members thereof shall have no power to amend or change the said statutes, rules and by-laws which shall govern the said branch establishments, and the head office of the said corporation shall alone have power to repeal, amend or modify them.

Powers of corporation. **5.** The corporation may have, hold, possess, and may acquire, possess, accept and receive by purchase, gift, will or otherwise, any moveable or immoveable property to the extent of fifty thousand dollars, in or near the city of Montreal, or without the limits of the city of Montreal,

that may be required for any of the purposes of the said corporation, and may, at any time, sell, lease, exchange, hypothecate or alienate the said property or any part thereof and acquire other immoveable property in lieu of the same, provided always that the use of the said land for a cemetery shall be governed by the laws respecting cemeteries, but this shall not have the effect of withdrawing the corporation from being governed by the regulations of any municipality where the said corporation may exercise its powers. No such cemetery or burial ground may hereafter be established within any municipality without the previous consent of the said municipality expressed by by-law. Proviso.

6. The corporation shall have perpetual succession, and shall have power to appear either as plaintiff or defendant before any court of justice. Powers.

7. The said corporation shall be empowered to subscribe, draw, endorse, transfer, make or accept bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments under the signature of its officers or others, as may be determined by its board of directors in virtue of the powers, rights and attributes conferred on it by this act. Powers.

8. All moveable or immoveable property now belonging to The King Edward Sick Benefit Association of Montreal, and all assets, rights or claims whatsoever, including all subscriptions, contributions and fines in its possession, as well as its debts and obligations, shall be hereby vested in the corporation to be formed, which may in its corporate name exercise all the rights and actions relating thereto. Vesting of property, etc.

9. The corporation shall be authorized to make by-laws for its regulation and government, and to amend and repeal the whole or any part of such by-laws as may be expedient, provided always that none of such by-laws be inconsistent with this act or any other act governing mutual benefit societies; and a two-thirds majority of the members present at a general meeting of the corporation shall specifically have the power to make and adopt by-laws for the following purposes,— Power to make by-laws.

- a. for its good government and its internal economy;
- b. for the admission, discipline, conduct, suspension, withdrawal and expulsion of members;
- c. for determining the kinds of benefit or assistance to be granted to the members, the right of any member to any benefit or assistance and under what terms

such assistance shall be paid, as well as the amount to be paid to members who may be sick or unable to work or to the children of deceased members;

- d. for regulating the instalments, the amount of the ordinary or special contributions and assistance and all other benefits conferred on the members and their families, and the legitimate expenses of management;
- e. for determining the amount of aid to be allowed to the widowers, widows, heirs and legatees of deceased members, the time at which such aids shall be paid, and the contributions and assessments which may be exacted from each of the members for that purpose;
- f. for establishing such restrictions as the corporation shall deem proper in connection with such aid and the enjoyment thereof;
- g. for assisting aged members who are not sick, but who are unable to perform any remunerative labour, under such conditions as shall be deemed advisable;
- h. for assisting members who, through age or illness, have become disabled and incapable of performing any remunerative work, such assistance to be given in such manner as the corporation shall decide;
- i. for establishing and managing branches;
- j. for imposing fines on those members who infringe the by-laws;
- k. for anything that concerns the management, government and proper administration of its affairs, and generally all other objects within the scope of its powers

Approval of
by-laws.

No by-law or amendment thereto adopted by the corporation under this act, shall come into force until after it has been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Benefits
unseizable.

10. Any sum of money granted by the corporation in virtue of its statutes as aid, assistance or benefit to its members or to their heirs or assigns shall not be liable to seizure.

Board of
directors.

11. The affairs of the society shall be managed and administered by a board of directors, composed of fifteen persons, which shall include the officers of the corporation.

Present
officers etc.,
to remain
in office.

12. The officers and directors of the King Edward Sick Benefit Association of Montreal in office at the time of the incorporation shall remain and continue in their respective offices until they shall be regularly and legally replaced.

13. The present officers and directors of the King Edward Sick Benefit Association of Montreal shall be constituted members of the corporation to be formed, and shall be entitled to all the rights, privileges and benefits to be conferred by the act of incorporation, as well as all other persons who shall become members of the present corporation. Members.

14. Nothing in this act shall have the effect of taking the corporation out of the control of the provisions of the charter, laws and by-laws of the municipalities in which the said corporation intends to exercise its rights or of the provisions of the Quebec Public Health Act. Certain provisions to apply.

15. The corporation shall transmit to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, when thereunto required by the Provincial Secretary, a detailed statement of its moveable and immoveable property, the names of its officers and a certified copy of its rules and regulations. Statement to Lt. Gov. in C.

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

C H A P. 151

An Act to provide for the amalgamation of the Montreal General Hospital and the Western Hospital of Montreal

[Assented to, 25th of February, 1921]

WHEREAS the Montreal General Hospital and the Western Hospital of Montreal have, by their petition, represented: Preamble.

That the Montreal General Hospital was incorporated under and by virtue of certain letters patent of His late Majesty George IV, duly issued on the 30th of January, 1823, under the great seal of the then Province of Lower Canada, which charter was amended by the acts 22 Victoria, chapter 116, and 9 Edward VII, chapter 131;

That the said letters patent and the said acts 22 Victoria, chapter 116, and 9 Edward VII, chapter 131, were replaced by the act 1 George V (1st session), chapter 96, which has been since amended by the acts 7 George V, chapter 104, and 8 George V, chapter 135;

That the Western Hospital of Montreal was incorporated by the act 37 Victoria, chapter 40, which has since been amended by the act 7 Edward VII, chapter 122;