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An Act to incorporate the Congregation Temple Solomon of Montreal

[Assented to 14th March, 1907]

WHEREAS Aaron Wolofsky, Jacob Franklin, Jacob Bercovitch, Joseph David Strimlan, Gabriel Bottier, David Feinstein, Mates Miller, Samuel Gordon, Hyman Held, Joseph Stein, Joseph Lifson, Isaac Faklerovich and Friam Rabinovich, all of the city and district of Montreal, merchants, have, by petition, represented that they are members of a congregation of persons belonging to the Jewish religion that has for some years existed for purposes of divine worship in the city of Montreal under the name of "Ahawath Achim," and have prayed to be incorporated under the name of "Congregation Temple Solomon of Montreal"; 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. Aaron Wolofsky, Jacob Franklin, Jacob Bercovitch, Joseph David Strimlan, Gabriel Bottier, David Feinstein, Mates Miller, Samuel Gordon, Hyman Held, Joseph Stein, Joseph Lifson, Isaac Faklerovich and Friam Rabinovich, and all other persons who now are and may hereafter become members of the said congregation, are hereby constituted a corporation under the name of "The Congregation Temple Solomon of Montreal".

2. All property, moveable and immoveable, now possessed by or belonging to or held in trust for the said congregation, shall be and is hereby transferred to and vested in the said corporation; and the said corporation shall have and exercise all rights belonging to the said congregation and shall be subject to all the obligations contracted by it.

3. The said corporation may have, hold and possess, and may acquire by purchase, gift, will or otherwise, any immoveable property in and near the city of Montreal that may be required for a synagogue or place of worship, or for a house for the residence of the rabbi or officiating minister, or for a cemetery or burial ground, or for any other purpose of the said corporation, and may at any time sell the said property or any part thereof and acquire other immoveables in lieu of the same; provided always that the use of any land for a cemetery shall be subject to the laws respecting cemeteries;

and provided further that the immoveable properly held by the said corporation shall not exceed, on the whole, the quantity of ten arpents in superficial extent, and the annual revenue or value thereof shall not exceed the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Amount and value thereof.

Sale of certain property where limit exceeded, &c.

4. In the event of the said corporation receiving by gift, or will, any immoveable property in excess of that which it is hereby authorized to possess, the said gift or legacy shall not on that account be void, but the said corporation shall be bound, within ten years from the date of its entering into peaceable possession of the said gift or legacy, to sell and dispose of the said immoveable property or part of it, or some other of it, or some other of its immoveable property in such manner that the immoveable property of the said corporation shall not exceed in annual value the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars.

Officers of congregation to remain till replaced.

5. The present officers and trustees of the said congregation shall be the officers and trustees of the said corporation until others shall be elected according to the by-laws of the corporation, and the present by-laws of the said congregation shall be the by-laws of the said corporation until they shall be repealed or altered, and the said corporation shall have power to amend and repeal from time to time the whole or any part of the said by-laws as may be expedient, provided always that none of such by-laws be inconsistent with this act or with the laws of this Province.

By-laws of corporation.

Registers of civil status and appointment of rabbi, &c.

6. The said corporation shall keep registers for acts of civil status, and may, from time to time, appoint a rabbi or officiating minister, and may remove him and appoint another or others in his place, and the rabbi or officiating minister of the said congregation is hereby authorized and empowered to keep registers for acts of civil status and to exercise all other powers appertaining to ministers of religious congregations.

9-10 Geo. IV, c. 75, not to apply.

7. The act of the late Province of Lower Canada, 9-10 George IV, chapter 75, shall not apply to the members and officiating minister of the said congregation.

Charter of city of Montreal to apply.

8. Nothing in this act shall prevent the provisions of the charter of the city of Montreal, or of the by-laws passed by the said city in accordance with its charter, from applying to this corporation, nor the provisions of the law governing public health.

Coming into force.

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