### Act No. 9 of 2001

## ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP OF NASSAU, BAHAMAS INCORPORATION

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# An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Archbishop 9 cf 2001 of Nassau, Bahamas.

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- 1. This Act may be cited as the Roman Catholic Short title Archbishop of Nassau, Bahamas Incorporation Act, 2001.
- **2.** In this Act, "successors in office" means the person from time to time having, by virtue of the Canon Law of the Roman Catholic Church or by appointment by the proper authority in Rome, supreme ecclesiastical jurisdiction in The Bahamas as Ordinary in the Roman Catholic Church.

3. The Most Reverend Lawrence Aloysius Burke, S.J., Archbishop, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Nassau, Bahamas, and his successors in office, shall be a body corporate and have the name of "Roman Catholic Archbishop of Nassau, Bahamas", and by that name shall have perpetual succession and shall have full power to purchase, take, hold, enjoy, sell, grant, convey, mortgage, lease, invest, and otherwise deal with and dispose of, all property real and personal of whatsoever nature or kind hereby vested and hereafter acquired and may sue and be sued in all courts in The Bahamas.

Roman Catholic Archbishop to be a body corporate

Interpretation

Vesting of property held by Roman Catholic Prefect Apostolic.

- 4. (1) Subject to subsection (2), all property in The Bahamas real or personal, of whatsoever nature or kind, which is vested in the Roman Catholic Prefect Apostolic of The Bahamas shall vest in and be held by the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Nassau, Bahamas.
- (2) Such vesting and holding shall be subject to the rights of the Queen, Her heirs and successors and of all bodies politic and corporate and of all other persons except such as are mentioned in this Act and those claiming by, from and under them.

Vesting of property given to Roman Catholic Church. 5. All property real or personal, of whatsoever nature or kind, heretofore and hereafter devised or bequeathed by will, or otherwise given to the Roman Catholic Church in The Bahamas, shall be held by, and is and shall be hereby vested in, and shall be deemed to be the property of, the said corporate body.

Property to be held for use of Roman Catholic Church. **6.** All property vested in, or hereafter acquired by, the said corporate body shall be held by the said corporate body for the use and benefit of the Roman Catholic Church in The Bahamas.