Act No. 14 of 1975

MOST WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS INCORPORATION

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An Act to incorporate the elected Officers and Trustees of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

[Commencement 5th August, 1975]

- 1. This Act may be cited as The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of The Bahamas Incorporation Act, 1975.
- The present Grand Master and Officers and Trustees of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, that is to say, James E. Morley 33°, Grand Master, Frederick H. Lunn 32°, Deputy Grand Master, Maurice F. Bowe 32°, Senior Grand Warden, John L. Rolle 32°, Junior Grand Warden, A. Bismark Coakley 32°, Grand Treasurer, Clyde B. Bethell 32°, Grand Secretary, Lorenzo A. Smith 33°, Grand Trustee, Clifford E. Davis 32°, Grand Trustee, Willard C. Ferguson 33°, Grand Trustee and Roscow A. L. Davies 32°, C. C. F. C., being Officers and Trustees and their successors in office are hereby declared to be a body corporate under the name of "The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas," and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall have full power to purchase, lease, invest and otherwise deal with and dispose of all property real and personal of whatever kind vested in or acquired by the said body corporate, and may sue and be sued in all courts of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas.
- 3. All property real or personal of whatever kind now vested in or held in any manner by any person in trust for or for the use and benefit of or heretobefore devised or bequeathed by will or otherwise given to The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and

Accepted Masons of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas, shall vest in and be held by and shall be deemed to be the property of the said body corporate.

- 4. The Trustees shall receive all moneys raised for, or in any way contributed towards The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas, and also all sums given, subscribed thereto or in support thereof, or which shall be payable to them in their capacity as Trustees, or be subject to their control; and they shall pay and apply such moneys in such manner as they shall from time to time think fit and determine for the benefit and advantage of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas.
- 5. The receipt in writing of the Treasurer or of the Trustee, authorised in that behalf by bye law, for any moneys paid, or for any stocks, funds, shares or securities transferred to such Treasurer or Trustee shall effectually discharge any person paying or transferring the same therefrom, and from being bound to see to the application, or being answerable for the loss or application thereof.
- 6. Any order, resolution or proceedings of the said Trustees, or the exercise by them of any powers by this Act conferred, or any bequest, devise or gift to them for the benefit of The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas or any mission or charity connected therewith shall not be invalidated by reason only of there being a vacancy amongst the said Trustees.
- 7. Nothing in this Act shall prejudice or affect the rights of Her Majesty the Queen, Her Heirs and successors or of any other person or persons except such as mentioned in this Act and those claiming by, from, through or under them.