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COLOMBO YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

Ordinances AN ORDINANCE TO INCORPORATE THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF  
 Nos. 23 of 1920, COLOMBO.  
 14 of 1921.

[7th October, 1920.]

Short title. 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo Ordinance.

Incorporation of Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo. 2. From and after the passing of this Ordinance the president, vice-president, and members of the board of management for the time being of the Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo, and such and so many persons as are now members of the said Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo or shall hereafter be admitted as members of the corporation hereby constituted, shall be and become a corporation with continuance for ever under the style and name of "The Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo", and by that name shall and may sue and be sued in all courts, with full power and authority to have and use a common seal and to change and alter the same at their pleasure.

General objects of the corporation. 3. The general objects for which the corporation is constituted are hereby declared to be to promote the spiritual, intellectual, social, and physical welfare of the young women of Colombo, including the promotion amongst them of science and literature, their instruction, the diffusion amongst them of useful knowledge and maintenance of libraries, reading rooms, rest rooms, and other features for general use among the members, and traveller's aid work for any young women passing through Colombo.

Board of management. 4. (1) The affairs of the corporation shall, subject to the rules for the time being of the corporation as hereinafter provided, be administered by a board of management consisting of the president and the vice-

presidents respectively of the corporation and not less than eight other members, to be elected respectively in accordance with the rules in force for the time being of the corporation.

(2) All members of the corporation shall be subject to the rules in force for the time being of the corporation.

(3) The first board of management shall consist of Lady Bertram, C.B.E.; Mrs. W. A. Cole; Mrs. L. W. A. de Soysa; Mrs. Napier-Clavering; Miss E. van Geysel; Mrs. M. von Possner; Mrs. Murray G. Brooks; Mrs. J. Lochore; Mrs. M. J. Cary; Miss Laura von Possner; Mrs. John Walker; Mrs. H. P. Beling; Mrs. E. L. F. de Soysa.

5. It shall be lawful for the corporation Power to make from time to time, at any general meeting of rules the members, and by a majority of votes, to make rules for the admission, withdrawal, or expulsion of members; for the imposition of fines and forfeitures for breaches of rules; for the conduct of the duties of the board of management, and of the various officers, agents and servants of the corporation; for the procedure in the transaction of business; and otherwise generally for the management of the affairs of the corporation and the accomplishment of its objects. Such rules when made may, at a like meeting, be altered, added to, amended, or cancelled, subject, however, to the requirements of section 7.

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The rules in Schedule\* to be the rules of the corporation.

**6.** Subject to the provisions in section 5 contained, the rules set forth in the Schedule\* shall for all purposes be the rules of the corporation:

Provided, however, that nothing in this section contained shall be held or construed to prevent the corporation at all times hereafter from making fresh rules, or from altering, amending, adding to, or cancelling any of the rules in the Schedule\* or to be hereafter made by the corporation.

Amendment of rules.

**7.** No rule in the Schedule\*, nor any rule hereafter passed at a general meeting, and no decision come to by the corporation in general meeting, shall be altered, added to, amended, or cancelled, except by a majority of the members present and voting at any subsequent general meeting.

Property vested in corporation.

**8.** On the coming into operation of this Ordinance all and every the property belonging to the said Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo, whether held in the name of the said Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo or in the name or names of any person or persons in trust for the said Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the corporation hereby constituted, and the same, together with all after-acquired property, both movable and immovable, and all subscriptions, contributions, donations, fines, amounts of loan, "and advance received or to be received, shall be held by the said corporation for the purposes of this Ordinance, and subject to the rules for the time being in force of the said corporation.

**9.** All debts and liabilities of the said Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Ordinance shall be paid by the corporation hereby constituted, and all debts due to, and subscriptions, contributions, and fines payable to, the said Young Women's Christian Association of Colombo shall be paid to the said corporation for the purposes of this Ordinance.

Debts due by and payable to the association.

**10.** The seal of the corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of two of the members of the board of management, who shall sign their names to the instrument in token of their presence, and such signing shall be independent of the signing of any person as a witness.

How the seal of the corporation is to be affixed.

**11.** The corporation shall be able and capable in law to take and hold any property, movable or immovable, which may become vested in it by virtue of any purchase, grant, gift, testamentary disposition, or otherwise, and all such property shall be held by the corporation for the purposes of this Ordinance, and subject to the rules for the time being of the said corporation, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange, or otherwise dispose of the same.

Corporation may hold property, movable and immovable.

**12.** Nothing in this Ordinance contained shall prejudice or affect the rights of the Republic, or of any body politic or corporate, or of any other persons, except such as are mentioned in this Ordinance, and those claiming by, from, or under them.

Saving of the rights of the Republic and others.

\* Schedule omitted.—Private enactment.