



I assent.

L. A. Salway

Officer Administering
the Government.

1st October,
~~20th October~~, 1955.

BRITISH GUIANA.

ORDINANCE No. 36 OF 1955.

AN ORDINANCE to incorporate the British Guiana Society for the Blind, to vest therein certain property and for purposes connected therewith.

Enacted by the Legislature of British Guiana:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Society for the Blind (Incorporation) Ordinance, 1955.

2. In this Ordinance the expression "the Society" means the Society incorporated by this Ordinance.

3. (1) The persons who are now members of the organisation known as the British Guiana Society for the Blind, and the persons hereafter admitted members of the Society according to the rules of the Society for the time being in force under the provisions of this Ordinance, shall be and shall continue hereafter

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Short title.

Interpretation.

Incorporation of Society.

to be a body corporate by the name and style of 'The British Guiana Society for the Blind'.

(2) By that name those persons shall --

- (a) have perpetual succession;
- (b) be in law capable of suing and of being sued in all courts of justice and before all magistrates; and
- (c) be capable of purchasing, receiving, possessing and holding property whether movable or immovable, and of mortgaging, selling, exchanging, transferring, assigning, transporting and leasing it.

Vesting of property.

4. All the property in the Colony, movable and immovable, of what nature or kind soever now held by or vested in the name of the British Guiana Society for the Blind or heretofore bequeathed by will or otherwise given to the Society or to any member of the Society to and for the benefit of the Society, shall be held by and the same is hereby vested in the Society.

Vesting of property bequeathed to the Society or to any member thereof.

5. All property movable or immovable of what nature or kind soever, hereafter bequeathed by will or otherwise given to the Society or to any of the members of the Society while they are members thereof, to and for the use or benefit of the Society shall be deemed the property of, the Society.

Tenure of property of the Society.

6. All property vested in or hereafter acquired by the Society shall be held by it for the use and benefit of the Society.

Legal proceedings by and against the Society.

7. In any legal proceedings by the Society the power *ad litem* may be signed by its president and secretary for the time being, and in any legal proceedings against the Society service of process on the secretary shall be deemed sufficient service.

Certain instruments to be signed by president and secretary.

8. All transports, mortgages, leases, transfers, and assignments, and all contracts or other documents relating to the movable or immovable property of the Society or in which the Society is or becomes interested, shall be signed by the president and secretary for the time being of the Society.

Certain documents to be evidence without formal proof.

9. Every copy or extract purporting to be a copy or extract from the minutes, proceedings, register of members, or rules of the Society, signed or purporting to be signed by its president for the time being, shall, without proof of the signature or official character or capacity of the president, be held and taken to be *prima facie* evidence of the matters and things therein contained respectively and shall be judicially noticed by all courts, judges, magistrates, and other persons in the Colony.

Administration of the Society.

10. The business of the Society shall be managed by a board of management, hereinafter called "the board", consisting of a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer and a committee of not more than twelve members. The board holding office at the time of the commencement of this Ordinance shall be the first board.

11. (1) The board or their successors in office, with the approval of the majority of the members of the Society, first had and obtained at a meeting of the members of the Society summoned by the secretary by notice in writing posted to each member at his registered address not less than seven days before the meeting, may make rules with reference to the management of the affairs of the Society and the rights and liabilities of the members thereof, and with reference to the proper regulation and conduct of persons visiting or remaining in or on premises belonging to the Society wheresoever situate, and those rules, when approved of by the Governor in Council and published in the Gazette, shall have the force of law and be binding on all persons.

Rules of the Society.

(2) The Society may at any time alter or revoke any rule, and may make, alter, or revoke, any new rules from time to time deemed expedient:

Provided that, —

- (a) no rule shall be altered or revoked, and no new rule shall be made, altered or revoked, except on the request of the board submitted to a general meeting of the Society, seven days notice of which, stating the proposed new rule or alteration or revocation, has been given by circular signed by the secretary for the time being of the Society and posted to each member at his registered address; or except at a general meeting convened in pursuance of a requisition in writing addressed to the board by not less than ten members; and
- (b) no new rule, nor any alteration or revocation of a rule, shall come into force or take effect until it has been approved by the Governor in Council and published in the Gazette.

Proviso.

12. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be deemed to affect any right of Her Majesty the Queen, Her Heirs and Successors or of any body politic or corporate or of any other person or persons except such as are mentioned in this Ordinance and those claiming by, from, through or under them.

Saving rights of the Crown and others.

Passed by the Legislative Council this ninth day of September, nineteen hundred and fifty-five.

J. A. Harris

Acting Clerk of the Legislature,

(Leg. Bill No. 29/1955).