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CEYLON BAPTIST COUNCIL

Ordinance AN ORDINANCE TO INCORPORATE THE CEYLON BAPTIST COUNCIL. No. 54 of 1944.

[23rd December. 1944.]

- 1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Short title. Ceylon Baptist Council Ordinance.
- 2. (1) From and after the date of the Incorporation. commencement of this Ordinance, the members for the time being of the Ceylon Baptist Council (hereinafter referred to as " the council") and such and so many persons as shall after that date be admitted members of the said council shall be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate (hereinafter referred to as the " corporation '*) with the name of " The Ceylon Baptist Council".

(2) The corporation shall, in the said name and for the purposes hereinafter mentioned, have perpetual succession, and shall and may by the said name sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, in all courts and shall and may have and use a common seal with power to break, alter, and renew the same at its discretion.

3. (1) It shall be lawful for the council from time to time at any general meeting of the members, and by a majority of the members present and voting, to make such rules not inconsistent with this Ordinance, as the council may deem expedient for all or any of the following purposes:-

- withdrawal (a) the admission, or expulsion of members;
- (b) the powers, duties, functions and conduct of the various officers, agents and servants of the council;
- (c) the procedure to be observed at meetings and in convening meetings and in the transaction of the business of the council.

- the administration and management (d)of the property of the council;
- (e) the determination of the subscription payable by members and the collection of such subscription.
- (f) generally the management of the afairs and the accomplishment of the objects of the council.

(2) All members of the council shall at all times be subject to the rules for the time being of the council.

4. No rule made by the council at any general meeting shall be altered, amended or rescinded except by the votes of a majority of the members present and voting at any subsequent general meeting.

Alteration of rules

5. The corporation shall be able and Power of corporation to capable in law to receive and to hold hold property. property, both movable and immovable, which may be 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 (subject to any trust attaching to such property and to the law regulating such trusts) to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

6. On the coming into operation of this Vesting of Ordinance, all property of the council, both property. movable and immovable, whether held in the name of the council or in the name of any person or persons in trust for the

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council or for the benefit of any schools or institutions established or maintained by the council shall be and is hereby vested in the corporation, and such property together with all property hereafter to be acquired both movable and immovable and all subscriptions, donations, loans and other moneys 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 of the council.

Seal of **7.** The seal of the corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever

except in the presence of three members of the council, duly authorized for the purpose under the rules thereof, 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.

8. 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 rights of the Republic and others.