

No. 189.

A N A C T

To incorporate the Holmesburg Baptist Church and Congregation, in the county of Philadelphia.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the members of the Holmesburg Baptist church and congregation, in the county of Philadelphia, be, and the same are hereby created and erected into one body politic and corporate, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of "the Holmesburg Baptist church and congregation, of the county of Philadelphia," and by the same name shall have perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, and shall be able and capable to take and hold lands and tenements, goods and chattles, real, personal and mixed, which are now, or may hereafter, become the property of said congregation, or body corporate, by gift, grant, devise, bequest, or otherwise, and the same to convey, lay out, apply or dispose of, in such manner as a majority of the trustees of the said congregation shall direct and appoint, and according to the true intent of donors, grantors and devisors; and the yearly value or income of the real, personal or mixed estate of said congregation, shall not, at any time, exceed the sum of two thousand dollars, exclusive of annual stated contributions.

Church incorporated
Name, style and title
Privileges and franchises
Yearly income limited

SECTION 2. That the senior deacon, George W. Holmes, Thomas Brown, Michael S. Carman, Peter Bender, John S. Ashton, members of said church, and Amos Corson, Benjamin Clift, Job Ward, James R. Dungan, members of the congregation, be trustees, to continue in office for one year, and until others be chosen, in such manner, time and place, as shall be determined by a majority of the members of said church.

Trustees, and their continuance in office

SECTION 3. That the said trustees shall choose by ballot from among their number, a president and secretary, and shall also choose a treasurer, who is a member of the congregation, and who shall, if required by the trustees, give him, and to account to them for all sums of money received by him; and in case of the removal of the president, or of

To choose president, &c. by ballot
Treasurer to give bond

any of the trustees, or of any other officer of the board of trustees, by death, resignation, neglecting to attend the meeting of the said board twice in succession without good cause, or otherwise, the vacancy or vacancies shall be supplied by the said board, until the next annual election.

SECTION 4. That the trustees and their successors shall have full power to make and to use one common seal, and the same to alter and renew at pleasure, to enact and enforce such by-laws and ordinances, as may be necessary and proper for the regulation and transaction of the business of the corporation, to change the time for holding the annual meeting for electing trustees, from time to time, as they may find convenient; or if the congregation neglect to elect on the day of the annual meeting, appoint any subsequent time, on which said election shall be held. *Provided,* That notice thereof be given from the pulpit, or in such other manner as a majority of the trustees may direct, at least two weeks before said election. *And provided also,* That said by-laws and ordinances shall not be inconsistent with the constitution or laws of this state, or of the United States.

WM. HOPKINS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

CHARLES B. PENROSE,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-seventh day of June, eighteen hundred and thirty-nine.

DAVID R. PORTER.