

- Name.** Musselman, and all persons now belonging to and composing, or that may hereafter join the society now called the "Carbon County Council, number sixty-five, of the order of United American Mechanics of the state of Pennsylvania, located at Mauch Chunk," be and they are hereby created a body politic and corporate in law, by the above name, style and title; and by that name shall have perpetual succession, have a common seal, make contracts, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of record, or in any other place whatever; and may also hold any real or personal estate conveyed to them by gift, grant, bargain and sale, devise, bequest, or other alienation whatsoever, and sell and convey the same: *Provided*, That the clear yearly income or value of the lands, tenements, or other real estate of the said corporation, shall not exceed the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars.
- Privileges.**
- Proviso.** SECTION 2. The object of this society shall be to promote the interests, elevate the character, and secure the happiness of its members, and provide for their families when left destitute, by sickness or death, in such manner as shall be ordered or agreed upon by the by-laws of the society.
- Object.** SECTION 3. The said corporation shall have power to elect such officers as may be deemed necessary, and at such times as the society shall appoint, make all necessary by-laws, and do all things necessary for the good government of the corporation, not inconsistent with, or contrary to the constitutions of the United States or of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- Officers.** SECTION 4. The legislature hereby reserves the right to revoke, alter or amend this act, whenever it may deem it expedient; in such manner, however, that no injury shall be done to the corporators.
- Reservation.**

WILLIAM F. PACKER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

GEORGE DARSIE,

Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twenty-seventh day of February, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 222.

AN ACT

To incorporate the Odd Fellows' hall association of the borough of Norristown, and county of Montgomery.

- Corporators.** 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 Nathan Rambo, F. Lyle, Owen Rayson, L. C. Zimmermann, Jacob Childs, O. E.*

Cloud, Daniel Longaker, Jacob T. Moore, junior, Mathew H. Crawford, Isaac B. Stokes, P. Gillinger, William Vandike, Samuel Groff, William B. Hahn, junior, L. E. Corson, John H. Hobart, N. Becklar, William R. Leshar, O. S. Servor, James Wells, Washington Richards, Benjamin E. Chain, Thomas H. Wentz, Uriah Hartranft, Charles Corman, Jacob M. Hurst, Christian Meek and Henry C. Hill and their successors, and all persons who now are, or hereafter may be associated with them, be and they are hereby created and erected into a body corporate and politic, in deed and in law, by the name, style and title of the Odd Fellows' hall association of the borough of Style. Norristown, and county of Montgomery, and by that name shall have Privileges. perpetual succession, and be able to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in any court of law or equity, and to take and to hold to them and their successors, either by grant, gift, devise, or lease, any lands or real estate, for the purpose of erecting thereon a suitable building or buildings for the use of said association; and also to take and hold for the use of said association, any goods or chattels, sum or sums of money, by gift, grant, bargain, sale, will, devise, or bequest, from any person or persons whatsoever, capable of making the same, and the same at their pleasure to grant, bargain and sell for the use of said association, and generally to do all and singular the matters and things which it shall be lawful for them to do, for the well being and due management of the affairs of said association: *Provided*, That the real estate of which the said corporation shall be at any one time possessed, shall not exceed the clear yearly value of three thousand dollars. *Proviso.*

SECTION 2. The persons hereinbefore named, are hereby appointed commissioners to do and perform the several acts and things hereinafter mentioned; that is to say, they or such of them as shall act in the premises, not less than five, shall as soon as conveniently may be, and within three months next after the passage of this act, procure and open a suitable book or books, at such time and place as they may designate, in the borough of Norristown, of which time and place at least ten days' previous public notice shall be given in one or more newspapers published in the borough of Norristown, in which book or books they shall enter as follows: "We whose names are hereunto subscribed, do promise to pay to the trustees and company of the Odd Fellows' hall association of the borough of Norristown, and county of Montgomery, the sum of ten dollars for each and every share of stock set opposite to our respective names, in such manner and proportions, and at such times as shall be determined by the trustees of said association. *Form of subscription.* Witness our hands and seals, the day of Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine;" and at the time and place so designated, and named in the public notices to be given as aforesaid, the said commissioners by themselves, or by committees, to be by them appointed, shall attend for the purpose of opening the books to receive subscription for stock, and the said books shall be kept open at least six hours on such day, at the time and place designated in the public notices, to be given as aforesaid; and in case sixteen hundred shares of stock, being the capital stock of said association, be not all sold on the day of the first opening of the books, the number remaining unsold may afterwards be disposed of at such time and place, and under such regulations as the trustees for the time being may order: *Capital stock.* *Provided*, That no subscription for such stock shall be valid, unless the party or parties making the same, shall at the time of subscribing, pay to said commissioners one dollar on each and every share, for the use of the association. *Proviso.*

- Organization.** **SECTION 3.** The said commissioners, or at least five of them acting in the premises as aforesaid, shall as soon as conveniently may be after eight hundred shares of the stock are subscribed, appoint a time and place for the subscribers to meet in order to organize the said association, and shall give at least ten days' previous notice thereof, in one or more newspapers of the borough of Norristown aforesaid; and the subscribers when met, shall by ballot elect by a majority of the voters present, five trustees, citizens and residents of said borough and county, to conduct and manage the affairs and business of said association, until the first Monday of January, of the next following year, and until others are chosen; and shall annually thereafter, at such time and place as the by-laws of said association shall provide, elect five trustees to serve as aforesaid, and the three commissioners first named, shall be the judges of the election of trustees, and the judges of all future elections shall be appointed by the trustees for the time being, and notice of such elections shall be given in such manner as the by-laws shall provide.
- Object.** **SECTION 4.** The object of said association shall be to provide, erect and furnish a hall, or suitable building or buildings in the borough of Norristown, for the accommodation of various lodges and encampments of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows established or to be established there, for other beneficial societies, and suitable also for a room to be used for public meetings, lectures, exhibitions, and for a library.
- Seal.** **SECTION 5.** It shall and may be lawful for the said corporation to have a common seal, and the same at will and pleasure to change, alter, and renew as they shall think proper, and shall have and exercise all the rights, privileges and immunities, necessary for the purpose of the corporation hereby constituted, and as herein expressed.
- Power of trustees.** **SECTION 6.** The trustees for the time being, or a majority of them, shall have power to carry out the objects of the association as hereinbefore expressed, to elect a president from their own body, to elect a treasurer and secretary, and to appoint such other officers and agents as they shall deem necessary to carry out the objects aforesaid, conduct and execute the business and affairs of said association, to fix their compensation, and in their discretion, to dismiss them, to provide for the investment of the funds of the association, in such manner as they shall deem most safe and beneficial, to provide for paying all the necessary expenses of conducting the affairs of the association, and generally to pass all such by-laws as shall be necessary to the exercise of said powers, and of other powers vested in said association, and the said by-laws from time to time, to alter and repeal: *Provided*, That such by-laws shall not be contrary to the constitution and laws of this commonwealth, or of the United States.
- Officers.**
- Proviso.**
- Committee of examination.** **SECTION 7.** It shall be the duty of the trustees, at least once in every year, to appoint from the members of the said association, three competent persons as a committee of examination, whose duty it shall be to investigate the affairs of said association, and to make report thereof; and it shall also be the duty of the trustees on the third Mondays of January and July, in each and every year, to make and declare a dividend of the interest and profits of the said association, after paying its expenses, and the same to pay over to the stockholders, or their legal representative, within thirty days thereafter.
- Duties.**
- Dividends.**
- Reservation.** **SECTION 8.** The legislature hereby reserves the right to alter or amend the charter hereby granted, whenever in their opinion, it may

be injurious to the citizens of this commonwealth; in such manner, however, that no injustice shall be done to the corporators.

WILLIAM F. PACKER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

GEORGE DARSIE,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The twelfth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine.

WM. F. JOHNSTON.

No. 223.

AN ACT

To incorporate the town of Rochester, in the county of Beaver, into a borough.

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 village of Rochester, in the county of Beaver, shall be and the same is hereby erected into a borough, which shall be called the borough of Rochester, and shall be bounded and limited as follows, viz: to begin Boundaries. in the middle of the Ohio river, opposite the south-east corner of out lots; thence along the east line of said lots to the line between lots number seventy-three and seventy-nine, on a new county road on said line; thence westward along the north side of said road to Fox lane; thence northward along the east side of said lane thirty-five rods north of Deer lane; thence westward along a parallel line north of and with Deer lane to the middle of Big Beaver creek; thence southward along the middle of said stream to the middle of the Ohio river; thence eastward along the middle of said river to the place of beginning.

SECTION 2. It shall and may be lawful for all persons entitled to vote for members of the state legislature, and who have resided within the limits of the said borough for the space of one year, and who, after the first election, have paid a borough tax within two years, to meet at the place of holding the general election in the village of Rochester, on the third Tuesday of March, in each and every year, or after the first election, in such place as shall be directed by the council, and then and there, between the hours of one and six in the afternoon, elect by ballot, one citizen residing therein, who shall be styled chief burgess of said borough; and one other citizen residing therein, who shall be styled assistant burgess; and nine citizens residing therein, to be a town council; and also, shall elect as aforesaid, a high constable; but previously to any such election, the inhabitants entitled to vote as aforesaid, shall elect three citizens, one to act as judge, and two to act as inspectors, according to the general election laws of this commonwealth, and subject to the same penalties for malpractices as by the said election laws are now, or hereafter may be imposed; and the said judges and in-

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high constable,
officers of elections.