

# *An Act to Incorporate The Society of Our Lady of Sion*

*being a Private Act*

Chapter 81 of the *Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1920*  
(effective December 15, 1920), as amended by the *Statutes of  
Saskatchewan, 1924, c.56; and 1946, c.111.*

## **NOTE:**

**This consolidation is not official. Amendments have been incorporated for convenience of reference and the original statutes and regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpretation and application of the law. In order to preserve the integrity of the original statutes and regulations, errors that may have appeared are reproduced in this consolidation.**

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(Assented to December 15, 1920)

**Preamble**

WHEREAS an association of nuns has existed for some time in the Province of Saskatchewan under the name of "The Society of Our Lady of Sion," having for its objects the attendance upon the sick and hospitals, missions, congregations for ladies, orphanages, working places, housekeeping schools, agricultural orphanages, industrial schools, deaf and dumb institutions, dispensatories, boarding houses for lame and aged persons, and the education and moral training of pupils in convents and schools, the instruction of prisoners, and the visitation of the sick and poor in the Province of Saskatchewan, and is governed by a constitution and bylaws which have received the assent of the members of the association;

And whereas the petition presented in their names prays that the association may be vested with corporate powers and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition:

Therefore His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

**Incorporation of community**

1 Sister Marie Rose, *nee* Frances Daly, Sister Marie Lilian, *nee* Kathleen Keller, Sister Marie Johanny, *nee* Katie Lenhard, and Sister Marie Fabian *nee* Annie O'Connor, and such other persons as are now or may hereinafter become under the provisions of this Act members of the said association, shall be and are hereby declared to be a body politic and corporate by the name of "The Society of Our Lady of Sion," for the purposes and objects aforesaid.

1920, c.81, s.1.

**Borrowing power**

2 The corporation may borrow money on mortgage of real or personal property or on promissory note.

1920, c.81, s.2.

**Land vested in corporation**

3 All property, both real and personal belonging to the above named association at the time of the passing of this Act shall be vested in the corporation.

1920, c.81, s.3.

**Power to acquire, sell, mortgage, etc., property**

4 The corporation may from time to time acquire by gift, devise, bequest, transfer, purchase or otherwise real or personal property, and may dispose of the same or any part thereof by sale, transfer, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise and with the proceeds acquire other property, or invest the same in any security whatsoever:

Provided, however, that the said corporation shall not acquire or hold as purchaser any land except for the actual use and occupation of the corporation or a branch thereof or for the purposes of the corporation exceeding in the whole at any time the annual value of five thousand dollars, and that lands, tenements, or hereditaments acquired by gift, devise, or bequest and not required for the actual use and occupation of the corporation or a branch thereof or for the purposes of the corporation, the annual value of which together with the other land of the corporation exceeds five thousand dollars shall not be held by the corporation for a longer period than seven years and within such period the same shall be absolutely disposed of by the corporation, and in case of failure to dispose of the same within such seven year period or within any further period to which the term may be extended by order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, such land shall be forfeited to the Crown in right of the Province of Saskatchewan.

1920, c.81, s.4.

**Use of revenues, etc.**

5 The revenues, issues and profits of all property held by the corporation shall be applied to the maintenance of its members and of the institutions carried on by it, to the construction and repair of buildings and the acquisition of property requisite for its purposes and to the promotion of works of charity and benevolence.

1920, c.81, s.5.

**Head office**

6 The head office of the corporation shall be at the city of Moose Jaw, in the Province of Saskatchewan, or at such other place in the province as may be determined by bylaw.

1920, c.81, s.6.

**Branches**

7 The corporation may from time to time establish and maintain any number of branches and in connection therewith may appoint subordinate officers with such powers and tenure of office as may be deemed advisable.

1920, c.81, s.7.

**Power to make bylaws, rules, etc.**

8 The corporation may make bylaws, rules, orders and regulations for the government and proper administration of its property, affairs and interests including the enforcement of discipline and the admission, removal and retirement of members, the appointment, deposition or removal of any persons holding office and generally for the internal government of its affairs.

1920, c.81, s.8.

**Existing officers and rules**

**9** Until otherwise directed by bylaw, the present officers of the said association shall be officers with like powers and privileges of the corporation and the existing rules and regulations of the association shall *mutatis mutandis* by rules and regulations of the corporation until changed by bylaw.

1920, c.81, s.9.

**Power to appoint attorneys**

**10** The corporation may appoint one or more attorneys for the transaction of its business.

1920, c.81, s.10.

**Execution of documents**

**11** Unless and until the bylaws of the corporation otherwise provide, all transfers, deeds of sale, leases, mortgages, and other documents shall be executed with the seal of the corporation, attested by the signature of the president, vice president, and secretary treasurer or any two of them.

1920, c.81, s.11.

**Power to exercise any industry**

**12** The corporation may operate any industry that may help to maintain its institutions and may bargain and sell the products of the same provided it conforms to the laws of the province.

1920, c.81, s.12.

**Rendering of accounts when required**

**13** The corporation shall at all times, when called upon to do so by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, render an account of its property and affairs.

1920, c.81, s.13.

**Exemption from taxation**

**14** Sion Convent, an academy operated by the said corporation, the lands on which it is situated, namely, the whole of blocks seven (7) and twenty-nine (29) in Lynbrook Heights Addition to the City of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, as shown on a plan of record in the Land Titles Office for the Moose Jaw Land Registration District as Number N.4537, excepting out of the said block seven (7) that portion thereof which lies south of a straight line connecting the southern boundaries of lots seven (7) and ten (10) thereof, and the personal property of the said corporation, shall, while used for academy and school purposes be exempt from all taxes, rates, levies and assessments of every nature and kind save and except special frontage assessment taxes under Part XII of *The City Act*.

1924, c.56, s.1; 1946, c.111, s.1.

