

*An Act to Incorporate The  
Grand Chapter of Royal  
Arch Masons of  
Saskatchewan and its  
Constituent or Subordinate  
Chapters*

*being a Private Act*

Chapter 135 of the *Statutes of Saskatchewan, 1973-74*  
(effective April 16, 1974).

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**CHAPTER 135**

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(Assented to April 16, 1974)

**Preamble**

WHEREAS William Birrell Motion, Gerald La Verne Cook and John Wilfred Hill, all of the City of Regina, in the Province of Saskatchewan, have by their petition represented that The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan is now and has been since the 12th day of June, 1923, organized under the name of "The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan" for the purpose of promoting the interests of Royal Arch Masonry in the Province and that The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan has jurisdiction over a number of constituent or subordinate chapters each of which is a separate entity; and

Whereas it would advance the usefulness of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan and promote the purpose for which it was established if it were incorporated and if each of its constituent or subordinate chapters were incorporated; and

Whereas The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan at its annual convocation on the 26th day of May, 1973, passed a resolution instructing its Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence Committee to proceed to have The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan and each of its constituent or subordinate chapters incorporated; and

Whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition:

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

**Incorporation, name, etc.**

1 There is hereby constituted and established a body politic and corporate under the name of "The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan", which corporation is hereinafter called "The Grand Chapter". The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan mentioned in the preamble hereto and heretofore organized as therein set forth is hereinafter called "The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan". The said corporation shall consist of the persons hereinbefore named and such other persons as now are members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan or hereafter from time to time become members of The Grand Chapter. The Grand Chapter may have any number of constituent or subordinate chapters.

**General powers of corporation**

2(1) The corporation shall have perpetual succession and may have a corporate seal with power to change, alter, break and renew the same when and so often as it shall consider proper; and the corporation may, under its name, contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, prosecute and be prosecuted in all proper courts and places whatsoever in the Province, and in addition to any other powers it has, it shall have the power to acquire and to hold all property, real and personal and mixed which is by this Act vested in it or which is hereafter sold, ceded, given, devised, bequeathed or granted to the corporation or which it acquires by exchange, and to manage, care for, use, improve, sell, alienate, convey, let or lease, or otherwise dispose of, the property or any part thereof; and shall have the power to make and establish such rules, orders, regulations and bylaws not being contrary to this Act or to the laws of this Province or to its constitution, as it shall deem useful or necessary for the conduct, operation and government of the corporation and for the care, management, use and improvement of its property, and to alter, amend, rescind or repeal such rules, orders, regulations and bylaws from time to time.

**Investments**

(2) Money belonging to the corporation may be invested in the bonds or other public securities of Canada or of any province of Canada or in such other securities, shares or stocks or evidences of indebtedness as it deems advisable, or it may be invested in the purchase of real property situate in the Province or by way of loan secured by first mortgage of real property so situate.

**Borrowing**

(3) The corporation may borrow from any person, whether natural or a body corporate, such sum or sums of money at such rate of interest and otherwise on such terms and for such length of time as the corporation shall consider expedient or advisable, and may also mortgage or pledge its property whether real or personal to secure payment of the sum or sums so borrowed and interest thereon, or it may issue its debentures secured by mortgage or otherwise to secure such payment; and it may borrow such sum or sums upon its promissory note or notes.

1973-74, c.135, s.2.

**Execution of documents**

3 All deeds, conveyances, bonds, debentures, mortgages and other instruments shall be executed under the corporate seal of the corporation attested by the signature of its Grand Z and Grand Scribe E or other officers or members duly appointed for the purpose according to the constitution or any resolution of the corporation.

1973-74, c.135, s.3.

**Vesting of property**

4 All property, real and personal and mixed, now belonging to The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan, is hereby vested in the corporation and the corporation is charged with the payment of the debts of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan to the full extent of such property.

1973-74, c.135, s.4.

**Application of property**

**5** All property which shall at any time belong to the corporation as well as the revenue therefrom shall be exclusively applied and appropriated to the purpose and benefit of the corporation and to no other purpose or benefit.

1973-74, c.135, s.5.

**Meetings and present officers**

**6** The corporation shall meet in accordance with its constitution for the election of officers and the transaction of other business; and the present officers of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan shall continue in their respective offices as officers of the corporation until their successors are elected or appointed and installed or invested.

1973-74, c.135, s.6.

**Constitution**

**7** The present constitution of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan and all of its present rules, orders, regulations and bylaws shall continue in force and effect as the constitution, rules, orders, regulations and bylaws of the corporation in so far as they are not contrary to this Act or to the laws of the Province, until they are amended, altered, rescinded or repealed by the corporation.

1973-74, c.135, s.7.

**Incorporation of constituent or subordinate chapters, powers, etc.**

**8(1)** Each of the constituent or subordinate chapters of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan heretofore constituted in accordance with its constitution is hereby constituted and established a body politic and corporate under the name and number by which it is designated by The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan or by which it is hereafter designated by The Grand Chapter.

(2) Each constituent or subordinate chapter hereafter constituted by The Grand Chapter in accordance with its constitution is from the time it is so constituted, hereby constituted and established a body politic and corporate under the name and number by which it is designated by The Grand Chapter.

(3) Subject to section 13, subsections (1), (2) and (3) of section 2 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to each constituent or subordinate chapter mentioned in subsections (1) and (2) of this section.

(4) The name and number of each constituent or subordinate chapter may be changed as provided for in the constitution of The Grand Chapter.

1973-74, c.135, s.8.

**Execution of documents by constituent or subordinate chapters**

**9** All deeds, conveyances, bonds, debentures, mortgages and other instruments shall be executed by a constituent or subordinate chapter under its corporate seal attested by the signatures of its Z and Scribe E or other officers or members duly appointed for the purpose according to its bylaws.

1973-74, c.135, s.9.

**Vesting of property of constituent or subordinate chapter**

**10** All property, real and personal and mixed, now belonging to a constituent or subordinate chapter, mentioned in subsection (1) of section 8 is hereby vested in its corresponding corporation and such corporation is charged with the payment of the debts of such chapter to the full extent of such property.

1973-74, c.135, s.10.

**Bylaws of constituent or subordinate chapters**

**11(1)** The bylaws of each constituent or subordinate chapter mentioned in subsection (1) of section 8 shall continue as the bylaws of its corresponding corporation in so far as they are not contrary to this Act or to the laws of this Province until they are amended, altered, rescinded or repealed by such corporation.

(2) Each constituent or subordinate chapter incorporated under section 8 shall have the power to make and amend bylaws in accordance with the constitution of The Grand Chapter and as provided by that constitution, in so far as such bylaws are not contrary to this Act or to the laws of the Province and shall have power to rescind or repeal such bylaws.

1973-74, c.135, s.11.

**Application of property of constituent or subordinate chapters**

**12** All property which shall at any time belong to any constituent or subordinate chapter incorporated under section 8 as well as the revenue therefrom shall be exclusively applied and appropriated to the purpose and benefit of such chapter and to no other purpose or benefit.

1973-74, c.135, s.12.

**Constituent chapters subject to constitution, etc.**

**13** Each constituent or subordinate chapter incorporated under section 8 shall be subject to the constitution and the rules, orders, regulations and bylaws of The Grand Chapter as the same are from time to time in force and effect in so far as they are not contrary to this Act or to the laws of this Province.

1973-74, c.135, s.13.

**Liability of members of Grand Chapter**

**14** No member of The Grand Chapter shall be under any liability for its debts or obligations beyond arrears of fees or dues owing by such member.

1973-74, c.135, s.14.

**Liability of members of constituent chapters**

**15** No member of any constituent or subordinate chapter shall be under any liability for its debts or obligations beyond arrears of fees or dues owing by such member.

1973-74, c.135, s.15.

**Seals**

**16** The respective seals of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Saskatchewan and of its constituent or subordinate chapters shall continue as the seals of their respective corresponding corporations until changed, altered, broken or renewed.

1973-74, c.135, s.16.

