

lared and specified to be: Historical inquiry into the facts connected with THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION of Seventeen hundred and seventy six (1776) and of the Officers, Soldiers and Sailors who served in the American War of the Revolution; to encourage and promote a knowledge and love of the Constitution of the United States of America, and institutions established thereunder and of the lives of the Framers thereof; To perpetuate the memory of the men, who, by their services or sacrifices during the War of the American Revolution achieved the Independence of the American People; to promote fellowship among their descendants; to inspire them and the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government formed by our forefathers; to encourage historical research in relation to the Revolution; to acquire and preserve the records of the individual service of the patriots of the War, as well as Documents, relics and land-marks; to mark the scenes of the Revolution by appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and to carry out the purposes expressed in the Preamble to the Constitution of our Country, and the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American People.

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ARTICLE II.

The name, Style and title of this Corporation shall be THE LOUISIANA SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

ARTICLE III.

The place chosen for the domicile of this Corporation is declared to be the City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana.

ARTICLE IV.

The managers and Officers of this Corporation shall consist of

a President, Two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Financial Secretary, a Treasurer, a Registrar, a Historian, a Chaplain, and four additional members, who, with the officers before named, shall constitute the Board of Directors. _____

—The Officers above named and delegated to the National Congress shall be elected annually, by ballot, by a majority of the members present on the 1st Saturday in December of each year and hold office for one year or until their Successors are duly elected _____

ARTICLE V. _____

—The Officer on whom citations may be served shall be the President or in his absence or inability to act the Senior Vice-President and in the absence of both the Secretary. _____

ARTICLE VI. _____

—The length of time during which this Corporation shall exist and continue is declared to be Ninety nine years from the date of this Act. _____

ARTICLE VII. _____

—A man is eligible to membership who is Twenty one years of age, and who is lineally descended from an Ancestor, who, with unfailing loyalty rendered material aid to the cause of Independence, as a Soldier, sailor, Civil Officer, or recognized patriot; provided the applicant is acceptable to the Society. _____

—Any man is eligible to Honorary membership subject to the limitations to age and descent established in the case of active members.

ARTICLE VIII. _____

—The said Corporation shall be capable in law to take, receive and hold all manner of land, tenements, rents and heriditaments, and any sum of money, and any manner or portion of goods and chattels given and bequeathed unto them or acquired by them in any manner

respectively; to be employed and disposed of according to the objects, articles and conditions of this instrument upon which it is formed and established, or according to its Articles and by-laws or of the will and intention of the donors. _____

—The said Corporation shall have full power and authority to make, have and use a common seal, with such device and inscription as it may deem proper, and the same to break, alter or amend at its pleasure, and by the name, style and title above mentioned, shall be capable in law to sue and be sued, and shall be authorized and empowered to make rules, by-laws and ordinances, and do every thing needful for its good government and support not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the United States, to the Constitution of this State or to this instrument upon which it is formed and established. _____

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ARTICLE IX.

— The amount of the fees, dues and assessments of each member as well as the time and manner of collecting shall be fixed by this Corporation in the by-laws to be hereafter adopted, and no member shall be liable or responsible for the contracts or faults of this Corporation in any further sum than the unpaid balance due this Corporation by him, for fees, dues and assessments. _____

ARTICLE X.

— The following named persons have been chosen and selected to serve as Managers and Officers until the 1st Saturday in December 1897, or until their Successors shall be elected Viz. _____

- Marshall Joseph Smith President,
- Edwin Howard McCaleb Vice-President
- Taylor Beattie Second Vice-President
- Frank Wyman Stoddard Secretary
- William Louis Sirjacques Financial Secretary
- Edwin Thomas Merrick, Junior Treasurer,
- Joseph Moore Soniat du Fossat M.D. Registrar

Charles Patton Dimitry Historian
John Talbot Sawyer Chaplain,
and Nicolas Tenry Rightor, Charles Aron Larendon, Arthur Hun-
tington Dicks and Henry Warmouth Robinson

who shall constitute the Board of Managers.

— THUS DONE AND PASSED, at my Office in this City, the day,
month and year first above written, in the presence of Messrs.
Meloney C. Soniat and Louis Rene Villars, — competent witnesses,
residing in this City, who have hereunto signed their names with ap-
pearers., and me, Notary, after due reading of the whole.

C. J. Soniat

E. S. Stoddard *Marshall Smith*
C. R. Beattie *Howard McCall*
per pro E. J. Merriess
J. D. Dimitry *Taylor Beattie*
John T. Sawyer *per pro E. J. Merriess*
Edmund Sewitt Gray *N. H. Rightor*
 Charles Patton Dimitry
 Joe Moore Soniat - de Treas
 T. W. Stoddard
 Edum T. Merriess jun
 N. J. Finjaques
 Chas. A. Larendon
 Henry W. Robinson
 Arthur H. Dicks
 Alton H. Miller
 Chas. S. Soniat

McSonia
L Rene Villars

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I Hereby Certify That I have examined the within act of incorporation, and am of opinion that the purposes and objects of the proposed corporation, as specified in said act, are legal, and that none of the provisions therein contained are contrary to law.

Robert N. Mann
District Attorney Parish of Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, *January, 7th* 1897.

RECORDER

JAN 9 1897

MORTGAGES.

Recd 510 a/m

C. J. SONNAT,
I the undersigned Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify, that the above and foregoing act of incorporation of, "The Louisiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution," and the Certificate of the District Attorney, were this day duly recorded in my office, in Book 565 Folio 639

New Orleans January Ninth 1897

W. J. ...

