



To all to whom these Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

I, George H. Ryan, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois,
do hereby certify that THE CHICAGO ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY,
INCORPORATED UNDER SPECIAL ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE APPROVED FEBRUARY
19, 1867, CORPORATION IS NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ANNUAL REPORT OR
PAPERS OF ANY KIND IN THIS OFFICE, AND SO FAR AS I AM ABLE TO
DETERMINE IS IN GOOD STANDING AS A DOMESTIC CORPORATION IN THE
STATE OF ILLINOIS.*****



In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set
my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of
the State of Illinois this 12TH
day of APRIL A.D., 19 96.

George H. Ryan
SECRETARY OF STATE

Originated in the House of
Representatives

J. G. Bradbury
Chair.

An Act

To Incorporate The
Chicago Astronomical Society.

Whereas, An association has been formed in the City of Chicago, called "The Chicago Astronomical Society," the object of which is to support an Observatory, and diffuse astronomical Knowledge; now, in order to encourage the objects of said Association:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the people of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, that J. Young Scammon, Thomas Hoyne, William B. Ogden, W. H. Wells, James H. Woodworth, D. F. Ely, J. K. Pollard, Louis C. Jones, Ezra B. McCagg, John C. Burroughs, A. H. Miller, Thomas B. Bayne, and their associates and successors forever, are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of "The Chicago Astronomical Society," and by that name shall have perpetual succession; shall be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, within all courts of competent jurisdiction; may receive, acquire and hold real and personal property and effects, and dispose of the same at pleasure; may have a common seal, and alter the same at their pleasure; may make such constitutions, regulations and by-laws, as may be requisite for its government, and for carrying out the objects of the society, and may alter the same at their pleasure.

Section 2. The constitution and by-laws of said society now in operation, shall govern the corporation hereby created, until altered or repealed by the association, and the present officers of the executive or observatory board shall be the officers of said association, and their terms of office, powers and duties shall continue

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the same as now prescribed, appointed by the constitution of said society, until otherwise regulated or changed by the directors of said observatory.

Section 3 All the moneys, property and effects of said society except the land of the University of Chicago upon which the observatory tower is erected, shall be held and managed by the directors of said society, and the management of all the affairs of said society, the management and observations of the Observatory, the employment of a professor or professors of Astronomy, and their assistants; the raising of funds and disbursements thereon and the support and maintenance of said Observatory shall be vested in the directors of said Observatory, who shall constitute from their own number an Executive or Observatory Board of said Directors, and the members of said Observatory Board shall hold their offices according to the tenure prescribed by the constitution and by-laws of said society; & the said Executive Board shall appoint the President, Vice-President, the Secretary and Treasurer of said Board, who shall also act as the officers of said Society; and the said Board shall transact, regulate and manage all matters pertaining to the said Observatory, keep a full and complete record thereof, and make safe and proper investments of all moneys and funds authorized or entrusted to their care so as to permanently support and endow the Observatory. This Society being an Institution

formed and maintained solely for the advantage
of the public, it and its property and estate of every
name and description, are hereby declared to be exempt
from all taxation under the authority of this State.

Section 11.

This act shall be a public act, and shall
be in force from and after its passage.

F. W. Brown
Speaker of the House of Representatives

A. H. Ross
Speaker of the Senate

Approved.

Feb 19th 1869

R. J. Ogleby

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In Act. To Incorporate
The Chicago Almonical
No. 9935 - Society No. 236

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Entered February 15, 1947
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Office of the Secretary of State

I hereby certify that this is a true and
correct copy, consisting of four
pages, as taken from the original on file in
this office.

George H. Ryan

GEORGE H. RYAN
SECRETARY OF STATE



DATED

April 12 1996

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