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Bill accompanying the petition of Clarence S. Williams and others for the incorporation of the Wayland Improvement Association. Towns. January 17.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eleven.

### AN ACT

To incorporate Wayland Improvement Association.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Edmund H. Sears, Second, Edwin Farn-  
2 ham Greene, Jane Newell Moore, Jane A. Patterson,  
3 Grace S. Corlew, William L. Raymond, Amos I. Had-  
4 ley, Frederick Moore, Walter B. Henderson, Jessica L.  
5 C. Henderson, Willard A. Bullard, Arthur B. Nichols,  
6 Chester B. Williams, Clarence S. Williams, John E.  
7 Mahoney, John Connelly and Edward M. Bennett, their  
8 associates and successors, are hereby made a corporation  
9 by the name of Wayland Improvement Association for  
10 the purpose of encouraging athletic exercises, obtaining  
11 and holding, as lessee or otherwise, playgrounds, land

12 for park and pleasure purposes and other land in the  
13 town of Wayland within the commonwealth of Massa-  
14 chusetts, maintaining, managing, developing and improv-  
15 ing playgrounds, land for park and pleasure purposes  
16 and other land in said town of which said corporation  
17 shall become possessed by purchase, gift, lease or other-  
18 wise; and for the purpose of constructing, repairing  
19 and maintaining sidewalks and crossings in the public  
20 streets of said town, ornamenting and caring for public  
21 grounds and parks in said town, under the direction and  
22 subject to the approval of the selectmen of said town,  
23 and planting and protecting trees by the roadside, under  
24 the direction of the tree warden of said town; also for  
25 the purpose of preserving natural scenery, curiosities  
26 and places of historic interest, erecting appropriate  
27 street signs and for the purpose generally of improving  
28 conditions in said town, with all the powers and priv-  
29 ileges and subject to all the duties, restrictions and  
30 liabilities set forth in all general laws now or hereafter  
31 in force applicable to such corporations and not incon-  
32 sistent with this act, but said corporation shall have no  
33 capital stock.

1 SECTION 2. At the first meeting of said corporation  
2 or at any adjournment thereof, an organization shall be  
3 effected by the choice by ballot of a temporary clerk,  
4 who shall be sworn, and by the adoption of by-laws, and  
5 by the election, in such manner as the by-laws may  
6 determine of directors, of a treasurer, of a clerk, and of  
7 such other officers, if any, as the by-laws may provide;  
8 but at such first meeting no person shall be eligible as a  
9 director whose name does not appear in section one of  
10 this act. The temporary clerk shall make and attest a  
11 record of the proceedings until the clerk has been

12 chosen and sworn, including a record of such choice and  
13 qualification.

1 SECTION 3. Said corporation may prescribe by its  
2 by-laws the manner in which, and the officers and agents  
3 by whom, the purposes of its incorporation may be  
4 accomplished, provided, however, that the by-laws con-  
5 tain nothing inconsistent with the provisions of law or  
6 of this act.

1 SECTION 4. Said corporation may acquire and hold  
2 by grant, gift, devise, purchase, lease or otherwise real  
3 estate and personal estate to an amount not exceeding  
4 one million five hundred thousand dollars which shall be  
5 devoted to the purposes of said corporation, and it may  
6 receive and hold, in trust or otherwise, lands or funds  
7 received by gift or bequest to be devoted by it to such  
8 purposes.

1 SECTION 5. The real and personal estate of said cor-  
2 poration to the total amount of one hundred thousand  
3 dollars in value shall be exempt from taxation.

1 SECTION 6. Said corporation shall never make any  
2 division or dividend of or from its property or income  
3 among its members.

1 SECTION 7. The town of Wayland is hereby author-  
2 ized to appropriate and pay money to said corporation  
3 for the general purposes thereof, or for any specific  
4 purpose or purposes which may be designated and is or  
5 are included within the purposes of this act, and said  
6 corporation shall receive and use the same in conformity  
7 with this act or with such designation.

1 SECTION 8. The treasurer of the corporation shall  
2 annually in the month of January file with the select-  
3 men of the town of Wayland a copy of the treasurer's  
4 report, showing the purposes for which such town appro-  
5 priations were expended during the preceding year.

1 SECTION 9. This act shall take effect upon its passage.