

HOUSE No. 3464

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, April 14, 1964.

The committee on Mercantile Affairs, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 390) of William J. MacInnis that provision be made for the certification and recording of evidence of the incorporation of certain charitable corporations, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 3464).

For the committee,

GEORGE H. O'FARRELL.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Four.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CERTIFICATION AND RECORDING OF EVIDENCE OF THE INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN CHARITABLE CORPORATIONS.

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

1 Chapter 155 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 striking out section 2A, as amended by section 7 of chapter 750
3 of the acts of 1962, and inserting in place thereof the following
4 section: —

5 *Section 2A.* Any civic, educational, charitable, benevolent,
6 or any church or cemetery organization created or organized
7 under the laws of the commonwealth, the evidence of the corpo-
8 rate existence of which is not on file in the records of the state
9 secretary by reason of the destruction of records or by reason
10 of the fact that it was organized before such recording was
11 required, may file such evidence with the secretary. The evi-
12 dence of corporate existence shall include, so far as originals
13 are available, copies of agreements of association and articles
14 of organization or similar documents, and a certificate executed
15 by the president, treasurer, clerk and a majority of the directors
16 or officers having the powers of directors, setting forth, so far as
17 known, the history and present status of the corporation and its
18 structure such as would have been disclosed by the filing of the
19 original corporation documents and amendments thereto. The
20 secretary, if satisfied of its corporate existence, shall endorse his
21 approval upon such copies of the agreement of association and
22 articles of organization or similar documents and upon such
23 certificate, and upon the payment of a filing fee of five dollars
24 to the state secretary they shall be filed in the office of the state
25 secretary, who shall issue a certificate of incorporation in such
26 form as he shall determine dated as of the earliest date upon

27 which such documents shall indicate the corporation to have
28 been in existence. Any civic, educational, charitable, benevo-
29 lent, or any church or cemetery organization to which a certifi-
30 cate of incorporation is so issued, shall thereafter comply with
31 the provisions of the general laws relating to similar corpora-
32 tions.

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