

**Chap. 296.** AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MUTUAL USE OF THE ROCKWOOD FIELD PLAYGROUND BY THE WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE AND THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WORCESTER.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

The parks and recreation commission of the city of Worcester may, by a majority vote, authorize the city manager of said city to enter into an agreement with the state college at Worcester for the mutual use of a certain playground in said city known as Rockwood field for playground, recreational and athletic purposes and upon such terms, conditions and limitations as may be mutually agreeable.

*Approved May 13, 1971.*

**Chap. 297.** AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE LAW PROVIDING THAT OFFICERS OF CHURCHES OR RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES BE DEEMED BODIES CORPORATE FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Section 1 of chapter 68 of the General Laws, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the word "citizens" and inserting in place thereof the word:— residents.

*Approved May 13, 1971.*

**Chap. 298.** AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CONSOLIDATION OF NORTH UNITARIAN CHURCH OF NEW BEDFORD, MASS. AND THE FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH IN NEW BEDFORD.

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

SECTION 1. The North Unitarian Church of New Bedford, Mass. and The First Unitarian Church in New Bedford, religious corporations existing under the laws of the commonwealth, are hereby authorized to consolidate and shall thereafter become and be one corporation under the name of The First Unitarian Church in New Bedford, hereinafter called the consolidated corporation, which consolidated corporation shall in all respects be a continuation of each of said existing corporations.

SECTION 2. The consolidated corporation shall have all the privileges, powers and immunities which said existing corporations have heretofore acquired and enjoyed under the laws of the commonwealth. In addition to and not in limitation of any of the powers by this act conferred the consolidated corporation is empowered to and shall devote its resources to and exercise its corporate powers for religious, educational and charitable purposes and said corporation may solicit and receive funds separately or with others to support its work. The consolidated corporation may make appropriations to carry on its work, including appropriations to other organizations to enable them to assist it in carrying on its work and, without limitation as to amount, it may receive, hold, manage, invest and reinvest and distribute any real and personal property for any of its purposes.