

1803. — Chapter 47.

[May Session, ch. 47.]

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE A NUMBER OF THE INHABITANTS IN THE TOWN OF STANDISH IN THE COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND INTO A DISTINCT RELIGIOUS SOCIETY BY THE NAME OF THE FIRST BAPTIST SOCIETY IN STANDISH.

SEC. 1ST. *Be it Enacted by the Senate, and House of Representatives in General Court assembled and by the authority of the same*, That Sargent Shaw, Simon Moulton, Samuel Rich, Enoch Shaw, David Sanbourn, Josiah Harmon, Joseph Shaw, David Decker, Lydia Richardson, Timothy Berry, William Hall jun. John Plaisted, Elliot Hannon, Ebenezer Morton, Isaac Letherby, John Grun, Jonathan Ward, Peter White, Jonathan Haskell, Ephraim Crocket, James Gray, John Sawyer, Josiah Moulton, Samuel Shaw, Aaron Richardson, David Richardson, Thomas Richardson, Zechariah Rich, Joseph Shaw jun., Jonathan Moulton, Daniel Thomas, Enoch Whitney and James Smith, with their families and Estates, together with such other of the inhabitants of said Town of Standish, as have associated, or may hereafter at any time, within two Years from the passing of this Act, associate themselves for that purpose in the manner herein after described, be, and hereby are incorporated into a religious Society, by the Name of the First Baptist Society in Standish, with all the powers, privileges and immunities, to which other Parishes in this Commonwealth, are by Law intitled.

Persons incorporated.

SEC. 2D. *Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, that any person, or persons in the Town aforesaid, being of the Baptist Denomination aforesaid, who may actually become a member of, and unite in religious worship with the Society aforesaid, within the time limited, in the first Section of this Act, by giving in his, or her Name to the Clerk of said Town, with a Certificate, signed by the minister, or Clerk of said Society, that he, or she has actually become a Member of, and united in religious worship with the Society aforesaid, shall, from, and after giving in such Certificate, with his, or her Polls, and Estate, be considered as a part of said Society: *Provided however*, that such person, or persons shall be held to pay their proportion of all monies assessed in said Town previous to that time.

Method of joining the society.

John Deane,
Esq. to issue
warrant.

SEC. 3D. *And be it further Enacted*, that John Deane Esq. or some other Justice of the Peace in said County of Cumberland, be, and hereby is authorized, and empowered to issue his warrant, directed to some suitable member of said Society, requiring him to notify, and warn the Members of said Society, to meet at such time, and place, as shall be appointed in said warrant, to choose such officers, as Parishes in this Commonwealth are by Law entitled to choose in the Months of March or April annually.

Approved June 22, 1803.

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AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A CORPORATION BY THE NAME OF
THE ESSEX TURNPIKE CORPORATION.

Preamble.

Whereas turnpike roads are now opened and about to be opened from the Northern part of the State of New Hampshire towards Boston and Salem in Massachusetts, and also from the upper part of the State of Vermont through the Western part of New Hampshire directed likewise towards Boston and Salem, till they shall meet the line of Massachusetts, which said roads are expected to unite near said line with a view of crossing Merrimack river at Andover bridge; and whereas the continuing of said turnpike roads from the place, where they shall enter this Commonwealth towards the towns of Boston and Salem, so far as the roads are now circuitous and bad, will be of great public utility; and Zebadiah Holt and others have petitioned this Court for an Act of Incorporation, to empower them to lay out and make said roads: Therefore

Persons incor-
porated.

SEC. 1ST. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same*, That Zebadiah Holt, Stephen Barker, George D. Herrick, Benjamin Osgood, Isaac Bodwell, Nehemiah Abbot, John Abbot, Saml. Farrar, John L. Abbot and Benjamin Ames, and all such persons, as are or shall be associated with them and their successors, shall be a Corporation by the name of The Essex Turnpike Corporation, and shall by that name sue and be sued, and shall have a common seal, and enjoy all the privileges and powers, which are by law incident to a corporation for the purpose of laying out and making a turnpike road, and keeping the same in repair; that is to say,

Corporate
name.