

The State of South Carolina,

Executive Department

By the Secretary of State.

Certificate of Incorporation

Whereas, Geo. W. Murray of Columbia, S.C. and E.B. Holloway and C.A. Williams of Greenville, S.C. two or more of the officers or agents appointed to supervise or manage the affairs of THE WORKINGMAN'S MUTUAL INDUSTRIAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION, which has been duly and regularly organized, did on the 29th, day of June A.D. 1911, file with the Secretary of State a written declaration setting forth:

That at a meeting of the aforesaid organization held pursuant to the by-laws or regulations of the said organization, they were authorized and directed to apply for incorporation.

That the said organization holds, or desires to hold, property in common for a Religious, Educational, Social, Fraternal, Charitable or other eleemosynary purpose, or in any two or more of said purposes, and is not organized for the purpose of profit or gain to the members, otherwise than is above stated, or for the insurance of life, health, accident or property; and that three days notice in the Daily Piedmont, a newspaper published in the County of Greenville has been given that the aforesaid Declaration would be filed.

AND WHEREAS, that said Declarants and Petitioners further declared and affirmed:

FIRST. Their names and residences are as above given.

SECOND. The name of the proposed Corporation is, THE WORKINGMAN'S MUTUAL INDUSTRIAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION,.

THIRD. The place at which it proposes to have its headquarters or be located is Greenville, S.C.

FOURTH. The purpose of the said proposed Corporation is the association of respectable colored men for the mutual industrial advancement of the race; for the inculcation of the ideas of saving; for educational, social and fraternal advancement; ~~advancement~~; for the looking after the good of the association, and for such other purposes as are not conflicting with the laws of the State, and which may from time to time suggest themselves to the Association.

Fifth the names and residences of all Managers, Trustees, Directors or other officers are follows:

Geo. W. Murray, President E.B. Holloway, Secretary, C.A. Williams, Treasurer, W.A. Williams Med. Director.

SIXTH, That they desired to be incorporated in perpetuity.

NOW, Therefore, I, R.M. McCown, Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested, by Chapter XLVIII., Article II., Code of 1902, and Acts amenditory thereto, do hereby declare the said Organization to be a body politic and corporate, with all the rights, powers, privileges and immunities, and subject to all the limitations and liabilities, conferred by said Chapter XLVIII., Article II., Code of 1902 and Acts amenditory thereto.

GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the State, at Columbia, this 29th, day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven and in the one hundred and 35th., year of the Independence of the United States of America.

R.M. McCown,
Secretary of State.



Recorded July 19th, 1911.