

**ORDER OF HERMANN'S SONS (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 78 of 1893**

**457.643 Subordinate lodges; incorporation.**

Sec. 3.

Any subordinate lodges of the said order of Sons of Hermann that now are or may hereafter be duly instituted or organized within this state under and pursuant to the provisions of the constitution and laws of the said order, may become incorporated under this act in the manner following:

First, At some regular meeting of such subordinate lodge, a resolution shall be put to vote of the members thereof, expressing the desire and determination of said lodge to be incorporated, and directing the proper officers thereof to perfect such incorporation pursuant to this act; and if such resolution receive a majority vote of the members present it shall be declared passed, otherwise lost;

Second, On such resolution being passed the president and secretary of such subordinate lodge shall prepare articles of association under their hands, and the seal of such lodge, setting forth the then number of members thereof in good standing, the name of such lodge desiring incorporation, the date of its organization or institution, a true copy from its records of the resolution mentioned in subdivision first of this section, the corporate name of such lodge by which it shall be known in the law, the place where the said lodge is located and the period for which it is to be incorporated, which shall not exceed 30 years;

Third, Such articles of association shall be acknowledged by the officers executing the same and shall have annexed thereto the affidavit of the president and secretary of the said lodge that they are members thereof and occupying respectively the official positions named therein; that the resolution a copy of which is contained in said articles of association was duly passed at a regular meeting of said lodge and received a majority vote of the members present; that the statements in said articles of association are true to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that said lodge was duly instituted and is acting under the constitution and rules of said order;

Fourth, Said articles of association with said affidavit shall be executed and filed with the corporation and securities bureau of the department of commerce. And thereupon said lodge shall be and become a body corporate and politic under the name expressed in such articles of association and by that name shall be a person in the law, capable of suing and being sued and of transacting all the business of said order necessary, proper, or incidental to the carrying out of the objects and purposes of said order pursuant to its constitution and laws not inconsistent with the constitution and laws of the United States or of this state.

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