

Allegheny in the state of Pennsylvania
 before and between the undersigned
 the third day of September 1873

Joseph Brown

Joseph Rose

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 Susan Green

Attorney

No 28 Fifth Avenue

Notice is hereby given that application has been made by the Towns
 City Building and Loan Association number two of Allegheny
 City Pa at No 56 September term 1873 Court of Common Pleas
 of Allegheny County for a charter of incorporation and unless
 exceptions be filed to the same will be granted at the
 next term of Court
 And the Record:

Joseph Rose

Prothonotary

And now to wit September 6th A.D. 1873 having received proper
 satisfactory evidence that the proper notice was published in the
 legal Journal and Gazette newspapers published in the County
 of Allegheny pursuant to the Act of Assembly in such case
 made as provided and by order of this Court stating that the
 foregoing application for a charter of incorporation should be
 granted to the petitioners and their successors at the present
 term of said Court unless exceptions thereto were filed in the
 meantime and no such exceptions having been filed the Court
 do hereby please and declare that the persons so associated
 and their successors under the foregoing articles and stipulations
 become and be a corporation or body politic in law and it
 is further ordered and decreed that said charter of incorporation
 be recorded in the Recorder's office of said County of Allegheny and
 the said instrument being so recorded the persons so associated
 or who shall hereafter become associated shall be a corporation
 or body politic in law and in fact and have continuance
 as by the Act of Assembly provided and in the foregoing articles
 mentioned under the same style and title in the said in-
 strument contained

By the Court

Sept 6 1873

Show the Record

Joseph Rose

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Recorded October 13th 1873

The Bnai Israel Congregation } To the Honorable the Judges of the
 application for charters } Court of Common Pleas of
 Allegheny County Pennsylvania
 We the undersigned Citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
 desire to be incorporated for religious purposes as a Congregation
 under the name and style of Bnai Israel Congregation

of Pittsburgh agreeably to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided and for the principles set forth in the following Charter and your petitions unitedly joined &c.

Moses Rosenblatt

Jacob Bernstein

Simon Jacob

J. Roussin

Samuel Rosenblum

Simon Miller

J. Salomon

Max Miller

J. Altman

R. Bernstein

Samuel Sandusky

Chas. Levy

The objects of this Association are first: the maintaining of a Synagogue and the promotion of the Orthodox Jewish Religion secondly the establishing of a good school for instructing the young in the principles of Religion as well as in the general branches of knowledge

Article 1st

The name and title of this Congregation shall be the Israelite Congregation of Pittsburgh Penna

Article 2d

The affairs of this Congregation shall be managed by a President Vice President Secretary Treasurer and a body of eight Directors to be elected annually by a majority of the members of the Congregation and whose officers shall be honorary without emolument

Article 3d

It shall be the duty of the Board of officers and Directors to conduct and manage everything pertaining to the Synagogue and all other affairs of the Congregation and also to hold the members thereof and the salaried officers to their respective duties

Article 4th

The Board of Officers and Directors shall manage the property of the Congregation and provide for the receipts and disbursements of the same

Article 5th

The presence of at least two thirds of the members of the Board is necessary to constitute a quorum for the transacting of business and absolute majority of votes of all members present is required for passing resolutions There shall be a record kept of the transactions of the Board in a book kept for that purpose

Article 6th

The Board of Officers and Directors shall submit to the Congregation at the end of each fiscal year a report of the financial condition of the same and also estimate of the probable receipts and expenditures for the ensuing year

Article 7th

The Board of officers and Directors are to hold monthly stated meetings for the transaction of such business as may come before them

Article 8th

It shall also be the duty of the Board of Officers and Deacons: First to recommend suitable candidates for the past officers, to fix the salaries and to define the respective duties of the salaries officers. Second To fix the price of seats and to levy on members the necessary dues for each fiscal year. Third To admit or reject candidates and to expel members. * Fourth To contract loans and mortgages, to purchase, acquire, and sell Real Estate for the Congregation and to make such expenditures for repairs, purchases etc as may not exceed ^{any one time} any one time the sum of fifty dollars, larger expenditures are to be submitted to the approval of the Congregation.

Article 9th

The stated general meetings of the Congregation are to be held twice annually in the months of March and September.

Article 10th

Unqualified officers shall be elected at the general meeting in March but qualified officers may be elected at any stated or special meetings of the Congregation.

Article 11th

The Board of Officers may whenever they deem it necessary call at special meeting of the Congregation. The Board and members to suspend or expel members for remaining in arrears on the books for twelve months, for violating rules and for unbecoming conduct at any of the meetings.

Article 12th

The presence of one third of the Regular members constitutes a quorum for the transacting of business at a General Congregational meeting. An absolute majority of votes of the members present is required for passing Resolutions and if the vote are equally divided the Chairman shall have the casting vote.

Article 13th

The resources of the Congregation consist of (A) Regular dues assessed by the Board, (B) renting of seats (C) tuition fees (D) Donations and fines etc.

Article 14th

The conditions annexed to the titles of seats assigned by members as well as the same shall be held subject to the Rules and Regulations or restrictions now or hereafter to be adopted by the members of said Congregation and the titles of the Society hereafter acquired shall likewise be held subject to such Rules regulations and restrictions and not otherwise.

Article 15th

This Constitution shall not be altered or amended except at a general meeting called for that purpose and any amendments or alterations must receive two thirds of the votes of all members present provided always that such amendments or alterations are not contrary to the laws of the United States or the State of Texas.

Article 16th

This Congregation shall have the authority to enact either at their State or Synodical annual meetings or at any special meeting called for that purpose such By Laws as may become necessary from time to time provided that such By Laws do not conflict with the Charter nor with the Constitution of this State or the United States.

Article 17th

Each and every person becoming a member of this Congregation binds himself or herself to submit to the Constitution, By Laws and By Laws which have been or may hereafter be enacted.

I hereby certify that the foregoing articles are in strict conformity with the jurisdiction of Common Pleas Courts in matters of Incorporation.

Josiah Cohen
Solicitor for Petitioners

And now to wit Aug 2 1873 the foregoing petition and Articles of Association having been presented to the Court and the Court having viewed and examined the same and the objects, articles and conditions therein set forth and considered appearing to be lawful and not injurious to the Community the Court order Christopher Shroderman of writing his files in the office of the Prothonotary of said Court and that notice be published in the Legal Journal & Gazette, newspaper printed in said County for this week setting forth said application have been made to said Court to grant such charter of Incorporation and if no sufficient reasons are shown to the contrary by exceptions filed in the meantime said Charter will there after be granted in compliance with the foregoing petition.

By the Court

Allegheny County ss

I Refuse me personally came Joseph Brown who being duly sworn deposes and says that the annexed notice is a true copy of the notice which was published for three consecutive weeks in the Pittsburgh Legal Journal and the Pittsburgh Daily Gazette newspapers published in this said County of Allegheny in the State of Pennsylvania.

Given and Subscribed before me this }
third day of September A.D. 1873 }

Joseph Brown

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Notary Public

Josiah Cohen

Attorney

No 78 Fifth Avenue

Notice is hereby given that application has been made by the Israel Congregation of Pittsburgh Pa at the 8th September Term

1873 Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County for a Charter of Incorporation and unless provisions be filed with the same will be granted at the next term of Court.

Thom. the Record

Joseph Ross

Prothonotary

And now to wit Sept. 6th A.D. 1873 having received satisfactory evidence that the proper notice was published in an Pittsburgh Legal Journal & Pittsburgh Gazette newspapers published in the County of Allegheny pursuant to the Act of Assembly in such cases made and provided and by order of this Court stating that the foregoing application for a Charter of Incorporation would be granted to the petitioners and thus successful at the present term of said Court unless exceptions were filed in due time and no such exceptions having been filed the Court do hereby decree and declare that the persons so associated and their successors under the foregoing articles and stipulations become and be a Corporation or body politic in law and it is further ordered and decreed that said Charter of Incorporation be recorded in the Records Office of said County of Allegheny and on said instrument being so recorded the persons so associated or who shall hereafter become associated shall be a Corporation or body politic in law and in fact to have continuance as by the Act of Assembly provided and in the foregoing articles mentioned under the name style and title in said instrument contained.

By the Court

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Recorded Oct 15th 1873

At Menzies Beneficial Society) In the Honorable the Judges of Application for Charter of the Court of Common Pleas the Petitioners of the undersigned respectfully represents that they with other citizens of the Corporation of Pennsylvania have associated themselves together for the purpose set forth in the following articles and are desirous of acquiring and enjoying the powers immunities and privileges of a Corporation or body politic under the name and style of the Menzies Beneficial Association of Allegheny City Pa.

Justus Herber

John Lippencock

L. Mayer

Benjamin Eberle

Matthias Acker

Wilhelm Goebel

Joe A. P. Hildner

Wilhelm Mijler

John P. Schwaab

Thomas Eberle

Patience Benard

Heinrich Eberle

Article 1 Constitution
Name and Object