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PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

LETTERS PATENT

Incorporating

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ASSOCIATION OF COLOURED

BROTHERS OF ONTARIO

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BY THE HONOURABLE

G E O R G E H A R R I S O N D U N B A R ,

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY

T O A L L T O W H O M T H E S E P R E S E N T S S H A L L C O M E

G R E E T I N G

WHEREAS The Corporations Act 1953 provides that with the exceptions therein mentioned the Lieutenant-Governor may in his discretion, by Letters Patent, issue a Charter to any number of persons, not less than three, of twenty-one or more years of age, who apply therefor, constituting them and any others who become shareholders or members of the corporation thereby created a corporation for any of the objects to which the authority of the Legislature extends; _____

AND WHEREAS by the said Act it is further provided that the Provincial Secretary may in his discretion and under the Seal of his office have, use, exercise and enjoy any power, right or authority conferred by the said Act on the Lieutenant-Governor; _____

AND WHEREAS by their Application in that behalf the persons herein named have applied for the issue of a Charter constituting them a corporation for the due carrying out of the undertaking hereinafter set forth; _____

AND WHEREAS it has been made to appear that the said persons have complied with the conditions precedent to the issue of the desired Charter and that the said undertaking is within the scope of the said Act; _____

NOW THEREFORE KNOW YE that under the authority of the hereinbefore in part recited Act I DO BY THESE LETTERS PATENT issue a Charter to the Persons hereinafter named that is to say :

Walter Lawrence Perry, News Dealer, Helen Perry, Housewife, and McKeon Constantine Rock, Labourer, all of the City of Windsor, in the County of Essex and Province of Ontario; William Russell Small, of the City of Detroit, in the State of Michigan, one of the United States of America, Supervisor; and Benjamin Terrell Talbot, of the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent and Province of Ontario, Poultry Dealer; constituting them and any others who become members of the Corporation hereby created a corporation without share capital under the name of

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for the following objects, that is to say:

- (a) TO assist in developing the interests of the Negro, including the promotion of amicable relations and understanding between the Negro and other races and within the Negro race; and
- (b) Without restricting and in furtherance of the objects aforesaid:
- (i) TO provide recreation, amusement, entertainment, athletics and educational facilities and benefits; (ii) TO print, publish, sell and distribute literature; (iii) TO collect moneys by way of donations or otherwise, to accept gifts, legacies, devises and bequests and to hold, invest, expend or deal with the same; and (iv) TO conduct an annual festival in celebration of Emancipation Day and in connection therewith to import, export, buy, sell and deal in goods, wares and merchandise;

PROVIDED, however, that the Corporation shall not maintain a clubhouse or similar premises;

THE HEAD OFFICE of the Corporation to be situate at the said City of Windsor; and

THE FIRST DIRECTORS of the Corporation to be Walter Lawrence Perry, William Russell Small, Helen Perry, McKeon Constantine Rock and Benjamin Terrell Talbot, hereinbefore mentioned ; _____

AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND DECLARED that the Corporation shall be carried on without the purpose of gain for its members and any profits or other accretions to the Corporation shall be used in promoting its objects; _____

AND IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDAINED AND DECLARED that the Corporation is prohibited from occupying and using a house, room or place as a club which, except for the provisions of paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section 168 of the Criminal Code (Canada), would be a common gaming house within the meaning of paragraph (d) of subsection (1) of the said section 168; and if it is made to appear to the satisfaction of the Provincial Secretary that the Corporation purports so to use a house, room or place, these Letters Patent may be cancelled by and in the discretion of the Lieutenant-Governor; _____

AND IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDAINED AND DECLARED that if it is made to

appear to the satisfaction of the Provincial Secretary that the premises occupied by the Corporation are equipped, guarded or otherwise constructed or operated so as to hinder or prevent lawful access to and inspection of such premises by police or fire officers or are found fitted or provided with any means or contrivance for playing any game of chance or any mixed game of chance and skill, gaming or betting or with any device for concealing, removing or destroying such means or contrivance, these Letters Patent may be cancelled by and in the discretion of the Lieutenant-Governor. _____

GIVEN under my hand and Seal of office at the City of Toronto in the said Province of Ontario this seventh day of May in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-seven.

G.H. DUNBAR
Provincial Secretary