

4 to have the same force and effect as though said proceedings had
 5 been performed within the period prescribed by law, and the secre-
 6 tary of state is hereby directed to record said certificate of renewal
 7 and the said amended and substituted articles of incorporation of the
 8 Lutheran Mutual Fire Insurance Association and when so recorded
 9 said matters and things shall have the same force and effect as though
 10 recorded within the time prescribed by law.

1 SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall
 2 take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Bur-
 3 lington Hawkeye, a newspaper published at Burlington, Iowa, and
 4 the Burlington Gazette, a newspaper published at Burlington, Iowa,
 5 without expense to the state.

Senate File No. 30. Approved February 13, 1931.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Burlington Hawkeye
 February 17, 1931, and the Burlington Gazette February 19, 1931.

G. C. GREENWALT, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 326

FIRST M. E. CHURCH OF MASON CITY

AN ACT to legalize the re-incorporation of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of
 Mason City, Cerro Gordo county, Iowa, its articles of incorporation, the election of
 officers and board of trustees under said articles of incorporation, and of the acts
 and proceedings to effect said re-incorporation and the title to the property belonging
 to said corporation as heretofore incorporated and assumed by said articles of
 re-incorporation.

WHEREAS, on the 6th day of March, 1865, a corporation was formed and
 articles of incorporation were adopted, under the corporate name of The
 First Methodist Episcopal Church of Mason City, Iowa, which articles
 were duly filed in the office of the recorder of deeds of Cerro Gordo county,
 Iowa, on the same day, and recorded in "Deed Record C" at page 799; and

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of February, 1868, certain persons, including
 the officers and trustees of said first named corporation associated them-
 selves together and executed a certificate of association, which was duly
 filed as required by law in the office of said recorder of Cerro Gordo county,
 Iowa, and duly recorded on the 8th day of October, 1887, in book "A" of
 miscellaneous records of said county, at page 518, under the corporate
 name of The First Methodist Episcopal Church of Mason City, Iowa, being
 a substitute and renewal of said original articles of incorporation first
 named above, which transferred, turned over and conveyed to the second
 above named corporation all the property, real and personal, rights and
 privileges of said former corporation, and the said second named corpora-
 tion accepted, took possession and assumed the title thereto, and has ever
 since exercised control, ownership and possession of all said property
 rights and privileges of said former corporation, and elected the officers
 and members, and trustees annually as provided by its articles of corpora-
 tion, until the time of the articles of incorporation hereinafter mentioned,
 and the acquiring of the title, rights and privilege thereunder, and

WHEREAS, the time limit for the existence of said corporation as orig-
 inally incorporated and renewed, had expired under the provisions of the
 statutes of this state, and the members of the said First Methodist Epis-

copal church at and in Mason City, Iowa, through its official board, and its board of trustees, duly elected and acting in accordance with the rules and discipline of the Methodist Episcopal church, duly authorized the officers and members of said board of trustees to re-incorporate said church association under the provisions of section eighty-five hundred ninety-two-a one (8592a1) of the 1927 code, the said board of trustees hereinafter named for like positions under these articles, did on the 21st day of November, 1930, execute, adopt, sign and acknowledge articles of incorporation, or for the purpose of re-incorporation under said section of said code, 1927, naming J. J. Clark as president, W. S. Wilcox, vice president, R. S. Stanbery, as secretary, W. G. C. Bagley as treasurer, and C. Currie, P. H. Kehm, W. P. Muse, F. A. Stephenson and W. E. Gildner as the other members of said board, which articles of incorporation were duly acknowledged and filed for record as provided by law and duly recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds of said county in book 4 of the corporation records of said county, at page 413, and

WHEREAS, there may be doubts as to the legality and effectiveness of said articles and the proceedings for said re-incorporation, and of the title to property, rights and powers and privileges acquired and obtained thereby, and in order to clear up and remove all doubts as to the validity thereof,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. That the original proceedings to renew the existence
2 of and re-incorporate the said church corporation, under the present
3 name of The First Methodist Episcopal Church of Mason City, Cerro
4 Gordo county, Iowa, and the said last named articles of incorporation,
5 filed as aforesaid and recorded in book 4 of the corporation records
6 of said county, are hereby declared legal and valid to all intents and
7 purposes as provided by said section eighty-five hundred ninety-two-
8 a one (8592-a1) of said code, 1927, and the title, rights, possession
9 in and to all property heretofore had, owned, possessed or acquired
10 by either and all of said former named church corporation, is hereby
11 declared to be lawfully conferred upon and vested in and made valid
12 as the property and rights of the said last named corporation, articles
13 of which were filed in said book 4 of the articles of the corporation
14 records of said county, at page 413 thereof, with all the powers and
15 privileges conferred by lawful reincorporation under said section
16 eighty-five hundred ninety-two-a one (8592-a1), whether or not there
17 was or should be found to be any failure in any particular to comply
18 fully with the provisions of said section or the laws of Iowa. That
19 the provisions of said articles and the naming of said officers thereof,
20 and for re-election thereof, and all acts heretofore and hereafter per-
21 formed by the said board of trustees or of said corporation are legal-
22 ized and declared to be valid in all respects.

1 SEC. 2. That the corporation shall remain valid and continue its
2 existence as such for the period and under the conditions provided by
3 chapter three hundred ninety-four (394) of the code of 1927.

House File No. 530. Approved April 4, 1931.