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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 11 of 1970

[L.S.]

AN ACT for the Incorporation of the Chest and Heart
Association of Trinidad and Tobago.

[Assented to 2nd June, 1970]

WHEREAS the Trinidad and Tobago Association for the ^{Preamble} Prevention of Tuberculosis has merged with the Heart Association of Trinidad and Tobago, and is desirous of operating under the name and style of "Chest and Heart Association of Trinidad and Tobago".

And whereas it is expedient that the said Associations be incorporated for the purpose of exercising the powers hereinafter set forth :

Enactment

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Representatives of Trinidad and Tobago, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Chest and Heart Association of Trinidad and Tobago (Incorporation) Act, 1970

Incorporation

2. The Trinidad and Tobago Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis and the Heart Association of Trinidad and Tobago are hereby created a body corporate under the name of "The Chest and Heart Association of Trinidad and Tobago" (hereinafter called "The Association") and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and may sue and be sued in all courts of justice by that name and shall have and use a common seal which may from time to time be changed in accordance with the rules of the Association.

Powers of Association

3. Subject to the provisions of any law (including this Act and any rules thereunder from time to time in force) the Association shall have the powers hereinafter set forth and such other powers as are appropriate to its objects and are from time to time specified in any such rules, that is to say,—

- (a) to acquire by purchase, transfer, donation, exchange, devise, bequest, grant, gift, conveyance or howsoever otherwise, any real or personal property or any estate or interest therein;
- (b) to accept surrenders or re-conveyances and to enter into contracts;
- (c) subject to any restraint, reservation or condition contained in the document under which it shall have acquired title thereto, to sell, demise, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of and deal with all property which may for the time being be vested in or have been acquired by it.

Mode of execution of documents

4. All documents requiring the seal of the Association shall be sealed with its common seal in the presence of its President and Secretary for the time being in office who shall both sign every such document, and such signing

shall be *prima facie* evidence that the said seal was duly affixed and that the same is the lawful seal of the Association.

5. The Association shall at all times have a fixed address for the service of documents on the Association and such address shall be registered with the Registrar General. All documents to be served on the Association may be served by leaving the same at, or by sending the same by registered post to, the address so registered.

Service of documents on the Association

6. All land and other property of every kind including things in action heretofore vested in or belonging to the Trinidad and Tobago Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis or to the Heart Association of Trinidad and Tobago is hereby vested in the Association; and all rights, privileges and advantages and all the liabilities that immediately before the commencement of this Act those associations were entitled or subject to, are hereby transferred to, and conferred or imposed upon the Association.

Vesting of Property

7. (1) The Association may make rules for the proper conduct of its proceedings and discharge of its duties.

Rules

(2) Until such rules are made, the rules contained in the Schedule shall be the rules of the Association and any of such rules may be varied or revoked or added to by the Association.

8. Nothing in this Act shall affect the rights of Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors or of any bodies politic or corporate or of any other persons except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act or those claiming by, through, from or under them.

Saving of Crown and other Rights

9. Subject to this Act, the Trinidad and Tobago Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis (Incorporation) Ordinance (No. 27 of 1952) is hereby repealed.

SCHEDULE

THE CHEST AND HEART ASSOCIATION OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO RULES

Rule I—Name

The name of the Association shall be "The Chest and Heart Association of Trinidad and Tobago" hereinafter referred to as 'The Association'.

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Rule II—Objects

The Association shall be a voluntary body having as its objects:—

- (1) The dissemination of knowledge concerning the diseases of the Chest and Heart, and the method of prevention of these diseases among sufferers, contacts, and the general public.
- (2) The Welfare of patients and contacts by (a) the supply of nourishment to out-patients and contacts (b) the supply of comforts to patients in Institutions (c) representation to Local Authorities of the value of improved housing and sanitation for patients and contacts (d) the provision of diversional and occupational therapy.
- (3) Rehabilitation by (a) the education of the public as to the need for schemes for rehabilitation (b) the occupational training of patients (c) financial help to needy patients and the procuring of suitable occupation for patients (d) enlisting the support of Government in the disposal of the products of patients' labour (e) encouraging the Government to provide convalescent homes for patients.
- (4) The promotion of research into all aspects of Chest and Heart Diseases in Trinidad and Tobago.
- (5) The raising of funds for carrying out the aims and objects of the Association by the subscriptions of members, accepting donations from interested persons, by the running of bazaars, by receiving gifts under Deeds of Covenant, by financial support from Government and Local Authorities and by other lawful means, for the purposes aforesaid.
- (6) The encouragement of Government to provide improved facilities and modern equipment for the medical and surgical treatment of patients suffering from Chest and Heart Diseases.
- (7) The establishment of branches of the Association at suitable centres in Trinidad and Tobago.
- (8) The doing of all such other things as may be necessary or proper for the furtherance of the aims and objects of the Chest and Heart Association.

Rule III—Membership

The Association shall consist of life members, ordinary members and honorary members.

Life Members

Upon payment of a fee of at least fifty dollars (\$50.00), any person accepted for membership by the Executive Committee shall be admitted a Life Member.

Ordinary Members

Persons accepted as members of the Association by the Executive Committee shall pay an annual subscription of five dollars (\$5.00).

Life and Ordinary Members shall be entitled to vote at all meetings of the Association and to hold office therein.

Honorary Members

The Association may from time to time appoint to honorary membership such persons as may be deemed worthy of the honour.

Rule IV—Patrons

The Association may elect as Patrons any persons resident in Trinidad and Tobago who have rendered distinguished public service and who are interested in the work of the Association.

Rule V—Officers

The Officers of the Association shall be a President, six Vice-Presidents, an Honorary Secretary, an Honorary Assistant Secretary, and an Honorary Treasurer to be elected at the Annual General Meeting each year.

Rule VI—Management

The Management of the Association shall be vested in an Executive Committee comprising the Officers of the Association, twelve other members to be elected at the Annual General Meeting each year and two representatives of each Branch of the Association.

The President and a Vice-President of the Association shall be Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively of the Executive Committee. If the President and all the Vice-Presidents are absent, the Meeting shall elect its own Chairman.

The Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to an ordinary vote.

The Honorary Secretary shall be responsible for the minutes of the meetings of the Executive Committee and of the Annual General and any special meeting of the Association and shall see to it that all decisions arrived at are implemented.

The Honorary Assistant Secretary shall assist the Honorary Secretary in the above duties.

The Honorary Treasurer shall be Chairman of the Finance Subcommittee and shall be responsible for the accounts of the Association.

The Executive Committee shall have the power to appoint a member to fill any casual vacancy in the Committee until the next Annual General Meeting. Vacancies on the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee shall have entire charge and control of the business and the property of the Association, the formulation of policy, the planning of work and the fixing of the time and the place for the Annual General or a special meeting of the Association.

The Executive Committee shall have power to appoint such Sub-Committees and may co-opt such persons as they think desirable for the furtherance of the work of the Association.

Rule VII—Meetings

A general meeting of the members shall be held annually on such date and at such place as the Executive Committee may determine. General Meetings
Twenty-one days' notice shall be given of the actual time, place and business of the meeting.

The business of the meeting shall be to receive and consider the audited accounts and balance sheet and the report of the Executive Committee on the activities of the Association for the preceding year, to elect the officers and other members of the Executive Committee for the ensuing year, to appoint auditors and to consider any other matter which the Executive may propose or of which at least fourteen day's previous notice in writing shall have been given to the Executive Committee. Twelve members shall form a quorum.

Special
Meetings

A Special General Meeting of the Association may be held at any time at the request of the Executive Committee or at the written request of at least twenty members.

Meetings of
the Executive
Committee

The Executive Committee shall meet at least once in every calendar month, at such date and time and at such place as they may determine.

Five (5) members shall form a quorum.

A special meeting of the Executive Committee may be summoned at the request of three members of the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee shall have power to appoint staff, define their duties and fix their remuneration.

Rule VIII—Branches

On the formation of a new branch in Trinidad and Tobago, the Constitution or Rules of such Branch shall be submitted to and approved by the Executive Committee of the Association.

Rule IX—Financial Year

The Financial Year of the Association shall end on 30th September to which day the accounts of the Association shall be balanced.

Rule X—Auditors Accounts

The Auditors shall audit the accounts of the Association and present a signed statement not less than twenty-one days before the Annual General Meeting.

Passed in the Senate this 17th day of March, 1970.

J. E. CARTER
Clerk of the Senate

Passed in the House of Representatives this 17th day of April, 1970.

G. R. LATOUR
Clerk of the House