

**Fourth Session Fourth Parliament Republic of Trinidad  
and Tobago**

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**REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**  
**Act No. 30 of 1995**

[L.S.]

**AN ACT for the incorporation of the Universal African  
Improvement Association and for matters  
incidental thereto.**

*[Assented to 6th October, 1995]*

**WHEREAS** there has been established in Trinidad and Preamble  
Tobago an Association known as the Universal African  
Improvement Association:

And whereas it is expedient that the Universal African Improvement Association be incorporated for the purposes hereinafter set forth:

Enactment

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:—

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Universal African Improvement Association (Incorporation) Act, 1995.

Incorporation

2. The Universal African Improvement Association (hereinafter called "the Association") is hereby created a body corporate.

Aims and  
objects

3. The aims and objects of the Association are—

- (a) to work towards the Scientific, Technological, Economic, Social, Cultural, Spiritual and Physical improvement of people of African descent in Trinidad and Tobago;
- (b) to assist in the establishment of Schools, Colleges, Universities, Auditoriums, Scientific and Industrial Research Laboratories, Libraries, African Historical Archives, Clubs, Gymnasiums, Theatres, Art Galleries, Cultural Centres and Playing Fields;
- (c) to publish books, magazines, periodicals and newspapers and to sponsor radio and television programmes which teach African culture;
- (d) to establish political parties which will work towards the political and economic emancipation of people of African descent in Trinidad and Tobago;
- (e) to work towards rehabilitating troubled youths and adults, with emphasis on drug related and emotional problems;

(f) to do all such other things which are necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

4. The Association shall have power—

Powers of the  
Association

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

5. All real or personal property now held by or vested in any person for the use and benefit of the Association is hereby transferred to and vested in the Association.

Transfer and vesting  
of property

6. All documents requiring the seal of the Association shall be sealed with the common seal of the Association in the presence of the President and Secretary, for the time being in Office or in the event of incapacity or absence from the territory in the presence of some other person or persons authorised for that purpose by the Association 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.

Mode of execution of  
documents

7. (1) The Association shall at all times have a fixed address in Trinidad and Tobago for the service of documents on the Association and such address and any change thereof shall be registered with the

Service of documents

Registrar General within twenty-eight days of incorporation or of the date or the change of the address as the case may be.

(2) Every document to be served on the Association may be served by leaving the same at or by sending the same by registered post to the registered address of the Association.

(3) Failure to register the address and any change thereof is a summary offence and renders the Association liable to a fine of one hundred and twenty dollars and to a further fine of ten dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefor.

Power to make  
rules

8. The Association may from time to time make rules for the proper conduct of its proceedings and discharge of its duties, powers and functions and may amend such rules.

Saving of State  
and other rights

9. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the State or of any bodies politic or corporate or of any persons except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act and those claiming by, through, from or under them.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 7th day of August, 1995.

J. SAMPSON  
*Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 19th day of September, 1995.

D. DOLLY  
*Acting Clerk of the Senate*

Senate amendments agreed to by the House of Representatives this 27th day of September, 1995.

J. SAMPSON  
*Clerk of the House*