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17 of 2002.

[10th August, 2002]

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Seventh Day Reform Movement Inc., Act.

Interpretation.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,

“Church” means the Seventh Day Reform Movement, Inc.;

“Corporation” means the corporation by the name of the Seventh Day Reform Movement Inc., constituted under section 3 of this Act;

“property” means property of every description, real or personal, movable or immovable.

Constitution of Church as body corporate.

3.-(1) The Seventh Day Reform Movement, Inc., is hereby constituted a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal which may from time to time be altered, and it may by its corporate name sue or be sued, plead or be impleaded in all courts of law, enter into contracts and do all other things necessary for the purposes of this Act.

(2) The Church shall have a Committee of Management made up of the follows,

- (a) the President of the Church for the time being and his successors in office;
- (b) the Secretary of the Church for the time and his successors in office;
- (c) the Treasurer of the Church for the time being and his successors in office; and

(d) such other Committee members as the Church may from time to time decide.

4. The Corporation shall exercise all the powers and perform all the functions and duties direct empowered by the President of the Church and its committee of Management.

General powers of the Corporation.

5. Any deed or other instrument, or any interest therein, deemed to be fully executed if there is affixed to that deed or other instrument the seal of the Church and the signatures of the President of the Church and the Secretary; or the signatures of any two officers of the Committee of Management duly authorized for the purpose.

Execution of documents.

6. The Corporation shall have full power to,

Capacity of the Corporation.

(a) acquire and hold by purchase, devise or otherwise, property within Belize, and to convey, assign, demise, or otherwise dispose of that property;

(b) borrow and take up at interest any sum or sums of money for the purpose of erecting or improving churches, schools, dwelling houses, or other buildings, and for such purposes to mortgage by deed under the Church's corporate seal portions of the lands, tenements, and hereditaments as may be necessary for securing the repayment of that money, with interest thereon;

(c) organize, maintain, carry on, foster, promote and contribute to the support of the church, education, training, social services, publications and doctrines of the Church; and

(d) do all other things necessary, convenient or expedient to the accomplishment of any or all of the powers aforesaid.

7. All property belonging to the Church shall vest in the Corporation.

Church property vested in the Corporation.

Obedience to the laws of Belize.

8. In proclaiming its doctrines and conducting its affairs the Corporation shall obey the laws of Belize and the Belize Constitution, Cap. 4.

Power to make by-laws.

9.—(1) The Corporation shall have the power to make by-laws and to alter the same for its own internal management and control, and such by-laws shall be binding on every member thereof.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (1) above, such by-laws may provide for the establishment, membership, and functions of sub-committees.

Saving of State and other rights.

10. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the Government of Belize, its heirs and successors, or any body politic or corporate or of any other person, except such as is mentioned or referred to in this Act and those claiming by, through, from or under them.