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SEC. 3. The annual meetings of said corporation shall be holden on the first Monday of November.

The first annual meeting shall be holden at the Armory Hall, on the first Monday of November next ensuing.

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SEC. 5. Said taxable inhabitants, at any of their legal meetings, shall have power to order such taxes, and provide for the assessing and collecting the same, on the taxable inhabitants and property in said district, as they shall deem necessary for purchasing fire engines, land, and houses for keeping the same, making cisterns and reservoirs, and procuring implements and apparatus for the extinguishment of fire; and such taxes so ordered shall be assessed by the assessors of said district on the taxable inhabitants and property therein, according to the last valuation made by the assessors of the towns next previous to said assessment, adding, however, any taxable property which may have been omitted by said town assessors or afterwards acquired; and in assessing and collecting said taxes, such proceedings shall be had by the officers of said district, as near as may be, as are required to be had by the corresponding officers of towns in assessing and collecting town taxes.

SEC. 6. Said taxable inhabitants shall have power to enact by-laws, prescribing the duties of firewards, and of the inhabitants of said district in time of conflagration, and to enforce obedience to the commands of the firewards for suppressing disorder and tumult, guarding or removing property, or rendering other services in time of fire; and for breach of any such by-law, may provide a penalty not exceeding a fine of ten dollars, to be recovered for the use of said district, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding ten days, which penalty may be enforced by prosecution on complaint and warrant before any justice of the peace in the county of Washington.

SEC. 7. The fireward order, in time of fire, shall be obeyed, or blown up, as they shall see fit in the progress of the fire; and in pulling down or blowing down, as aforesaid, the progress of such fire shall be the same, the tax therefor, by a tax upon the property, which tax shall be adjusted for the county, hereby authorized and them made in behalf of the amount necessary, to be paid to the district, and collected as other taxes assessed and collected in which any fire shall be paid for under this power.

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SEC. 9. Said taxable inhabitants, at any legal meetings, which, as well as the fireward order, shall be notified in such manner as may be deemed needful, it shall be the duty of the fireward, upon written application of such inhabitants; and in laying a tax is to be acted upon in the notice, unless it be otherwise provided.

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AN ACT IN AMENDMENT OF AN ACT ENTITLED, AN "ACT FOR INCORPORATING PAWTUCKET, IN NORTH PROVIDENCE, FOR PURPOSES THEREIN MENTIONED."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows :

SECTION 1. At the annual meeting of the corporation established by said act, there shall be elected by ballot one chief engineer and two assistant engineers, who shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year, or until their successors in said office shall be duly elected.

SEC. 2. The chief engineer, under such rules and regulations as the board of firewards may establish, shall have the command of the fire department within the territorial limits embraced by said act and the several acts in amendment of, and in addition thereto. He shall attend at all fires within the territorial district aforesaid, and all orders issued by him to any of the foremen, engineers, or members of the engine, hose, hook and ladder companies, or any members of the fire department in said district shall be promptly obeyed. He shall see to the enforcement of all the rules and regulations of the board of firewards; and shall exercise such authority and perform such duties as may be conferred upon him or assigned to him by the board of firewards.

Each assistant engineer shall repair promptly to every fire in said district; and shall obey all orders of the chief engineer, and assist him in the discharge of his duties. In case of the absence or inability, from any cause, of the chief engineer, all of the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon him by this act, and by the rules and regulations of the board of firewards, shall devolve upon, and be performed by, the assistant engineers, in the order of their respective rank, to be established by the vote of the corporation, at the annual meeting thereof, at which they are elected.

SEC. 3. The chief engineer and assistant engineers aforesaid shall be *ex officio* members of the board of firewards. The firewards shall meet regularly at least once in each month, and a majority of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. All the powers invested in, and all duties imposed upon, the

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SEC. 4. No bills or charges against the corporation shall be paid unless the same shall be certified to as correct by the chief engineer, and allowed and ordered to be paid by the board of firewards. The board of firewards shall decide finally all appeals taken in writing from decisions of any engineer. All applications for the purchase or exchange of engines, or of land for engine houses, wells, cisterns, or réservoirs, for the erection or removal of engine houses, for the construction of public fountains, reservoirs, or cisterns, shall be made to said board, who shall recommend such action in relation to the same, at any meeting of the corporation, duly called, as to them may seem proper, and the corporation at said meeting may adopt or reject such recommendation, or any part thereof, or take such other action in the premises as they may deem proper. Said board is hereby authorized to make all such rules and regulations, not repugnant to the laws of the State, as they may deem advisable, for the conduct and control of the fire department of said district, the efficiency and due subordination of the members of the fire department thereof, and the custody and preservation of the property thereof.

Said board shall, at the annual meeting of the corporation, make a report of all fires in the district during the year, and all such information in relation to losses by fire, the causes of fire, its prevention and extinguishment, and other matters relating to fires and insurance, as they may be able and think advisable to communicate. They shall publish their rules and regulations from time to time, and at all times keep a printed copy of all such as are in force, posted up in some conspicuous place in each engine house belonging to said Corporation.

SEC. 5. The board of firewards shall have all the power and authority given by law to town councils to establish and enforce penalties for the violations of town ordinances, to establish penalties and enforce the same for violations of the rules and regulations by them established and published as aforesaid; and any violations of such rules and regulations may be prosecuted and punished in the same manner as provided by law for prosecuting and punishing violations of town ordinances.

SEC. 6. Said corporation is hereby authorized to pay such compensation to the officers and members of the active fire department therein as may be established from time to time, at meetings of said corporation duly held and notified, and for that purpose to assess taxes upon the ratable property in said district in the manner provided in the act of which this act is in amendment, and the several acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto.

SEC. 7. Sections 5 and 8 of the act of which this act is in amendment, and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE "PROVIDENCE AND RHODE ISLAND MARKET HOUSE ASSOCIATION."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Charles E. Eddy, Albert H. Rider, Charles Snow, and Sheperd C. Kinsley, and their associates, successors and assigns, are hereby created a body corporate and politic, by the name of the "Providence and Rhode Island Market House Association," for the purpose of building and maintaining a public market in the city of Providence, and for the transaction of business connected therewith; with all powers and privileges, and subject to all the duties and liabilities set forth in chapters one hundred and twenty-five and one hundred and twenty-eight of the Revised Statutes and of any act in amendment thereof, or in addition thereto.

SEC. 2. The capital of said corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, to be divided into shares of fifty

dollars each; but no stockholder shall be liable for any portion of the debts of the corporation the refusal of which he is willing to pay.

SEC. 3. The stock of said corporation shall be pledged and shall be liable for all debts and demands due to the corporation by any stockholder to the corporation at a day future, and for all payments or any other matters which may be sold for the payment of the same in such manner as the corporation may prescribe, and in case the same shall be insufficient to discharge the same with incidental expenses, the stockholders shall have their action against the corporation due.

SEC. 4. There shall be no stockholders in the city of Providence, the by-laws shall prescribe the manner and for such other business as may be transacted and said corporation shall have its place of business in the

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE "FIRST UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF PROVIDENCE."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Thaddeus A. Darling, Charles J. Thomas, J. Hill, Alanson Kelly, Horatio L. Hoag, Briggs, Charles E. C. William Cyrus Barker, Seth M. Vose, David C. ling, and their associates, are hereby created a body corporate, with perpetual succession, for the purpose of establishing a place of worship of God, in the city of Providence, or place of worship within the limits of the city of Providence.