CHAP. 436.—An Act To incorporate the International Sunday School Association of America.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That William N. Harsthorn, of Boston, Massachusetts; Honorable J. J. Macaren, of Toronto, Canada; Marion Lawrence, of Toledo, Ohio; George W. Bailey, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; A. B. McCrillis, of Providence, Rhode Island; H. J. Heinz, of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania; H. M. Hamill, of Nashville, Tennessee; E. R. Machum, of Saint Johns, New Brunswick; W. A. Eudaly, of Cincinnati, Ohio; F. A. Wells, of Chicago, Illinois; G. G. Wallace, of Omaha, Nebraska; G. W. Watts, of Durham, North Carolina; E. K. Warren, of Three Oaks, Michigan; John Stites, of Louisville, Kentucky; Honorable W. D. Wood, of Seattle, Washington; and Seth P. Leet, of Montreal, Province of Quebec, and their associates and successors, are created a body corporate in the District of Columbia under the name of The International Sunday School Association, and as such shall have power to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued; to take and hold real estate not exceeding one million dollars in value in the aggregate or personal estate by purchase, gift, devise, or bequest, and to manage, sell or convey, or transfer same for the purposes of the association; to have perpetual succession; to have a common seal, and to break, alter, or change the same at will.

SEC. 2. That the purpose of the association shall be to promote organized Sunday school work, to encourage the study of the Bible, and to assist in the spread of Christian religion.

SEC. 3. That the members of the executive committee of the International Sunday School Association, as it may be constituted by said association, shall be the members of this association.

SEC. 4. That the affairs of the association shall be managed by the members. It may by by-laws provide for a board of not less than fifteen trustees, who shall be elected annually, to act between meetings of the association, whose duties and powers shall be prescribed in said by-laws. Until the members of this association meet and elect trustees, the persons named as incorporators herein shall constitute the board of trustees: Provided, That a majority of said trustees shall at all times be citizens of the United States.

SEC. 5. That the officers of the association shall be a chairman, one or more vice-chairmen, a secretary, and a treasurer, with such other officers, employees, and committees as the association shall choose, who shall hold their respective offices, appointments, or employments as may be provided in the by-laws of the association.

SEC. 6. That the association may adopt and change at will such rules and by-laws as it deems proper for its government and control not in conflict with this charter, the Constitution of the United States of America, the Provinces and Territories of the Dominion of Canada, or any State, Territory, province, county, or district in which such rule or by-law is sought to be enforced, and shall provide the time of meetings and the number necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and how votes of members shall be cast.

SEC. 7. That the association shall have no capital stock, and the private property of its members shall not be subject to its corporate debts.

SEC. 8. That the association’s principal place of business shall be at Washington, District of Columbia. Meetings of the association and its trustees may be held at any point that may be fixed by the by-laws or by order of the board of trustees or in any call for a meeting issued as may be authorized in the by-laws.

SEC. 9. The right to alter, amend or repeal this Act is reserved.

Approved, January 31, 1907.