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## NINETY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE

AN ACT to Ratify and Make Valid the Incorporation of Second Congregational Society of Searsport Harbor, in Searsport, Maine.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- Sec. 1. Change of name. The incorporation of Second Congregational Society of Searsport Harbor in Searsport, county of Waldo and state of Maine, originally organized under the name of East Congregational Society in said Searsport on July 25, 1853, is hereby ratified, affirmed and made valid and its corporate name is hereby confirmed as "Second Congregational Society of Searsport Harbor."
- Sec. 2. Annual meeting. Unless and until said society shall duly and legally otherwise vote, the time and place for the annual meeting of said society shall be the 3rd Monday of August of each year at 2.00 o'clock in the afternoon at the church building of said society at Searsport Harbor in said Searsport, or at such other place as shall be named in the call for said meeting.
- Sec. 3. Transfer of property to society. The right of said society, through its trustees, to receive, control and manage the church building and its appurtenances and all other properties belonging to said church or said society, including the trust estate created under the will of Benjamin F.

Pendleton, late of Searsport, deceased, for the benefit of said church at the Harbor District in said Searsport, and all other endowment funds and properties of said society created by will or otherwise for the benefit of said Second Congregational Society, is hereby ratified and confirmed.

- Sec. 4. Membership; limitations. The usages and customs of said society as heretofore existing in extending membership in said society to all persons 21 years of age and upward who regularly contribute toward the expenses of said church or said society, together with the right to attend and participate in the annual and special meetings of the society, when action is to be taken relative to the use and appropriation of funds toward which they have contributed or toward which they have pledged contributions, and meetings called for the purpose of obtaining or dismissing a pastor, are hereby ratified and confirmed, and all persons 21 years of age and upward who have contributed to the support of the Society within the 3 year period prior to the effective date of this act shall be deemed to be members, but the membership shall not be deemed to be limited thereto.
- Sec. 5. Special meetings. In addition to such means as may from time to time be provided by the by-laws, special meetings may be called at any time upon application to a justice of the peace by any member stating the purposes therefor, whereupon such justice of the peace shall call the meeting for such purposes giving at least 7 days notice by posting notice thereof on the door of the church. Such meeting may be called for any purpose and may include, but without being limited to, the election of officers in the event the annual meeting has not been held.