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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Silsby of Hancock.

## STATE OF MAINE

#### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE

# AN ACT Relating to Organization of Certain Corporations Without Capital Stock.

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

**R. S., c. 54, § 1, amended.** Section 1 of chapter 54 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Organization. When 7 or more persons desire to be incorporated as proprietors of a social, military, literary, scientific or county law library; as a Masonic lodge or chapter of any order or degree; as a Masonic association consisting of members of different orders or degrees; as a lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; as a lodge of the Knights of Pythias; as a tribe of the Improved Order of Redman; as a division of the Sons of Temperance; as a tent of the Rechabites; as a grange of Patrons of Husbandry; as a Council of the Sovereigns of Industry; as a lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; as a Grand Army Post; as an American Legion Post; as a Veterans of Foreign Wars Post; as a Council of the Boy Scouts of America; as a relief or benefit association for mutual assistance; as a cemetery association; as a monument or memorial association; as a society to promote temperance; as a village improvement society; as an association for the promotion of good municipal government; as a chamber of commerce or board of trade; a local citizens' group to foster, encourage and assist the location, settlement or resettlement of industry, manufacturing and other business enterprises in any locality within the State; as a yacht club; or for the purpose of preserving and maintaining a family homestead and the rights of descendants and of members of the family therein; or for any literary, scientific, musical, charitable, educational, social, military, agricultural, moral, religious or benevolent purpose; they may apply in writing to any justice of the peace in the county, who may issue his warrant, directed to one of said applicants, requiring him to call a meeting thereof at such time and place as the justice may appoint.'