

CHARTER OF THETFORD ACADEMY

An act establishing an Academy in Thetford in the County of Orange

Section I

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont that there be and hereby is constituted and established an Academy in the town of Thetford in the county of Orange at the place where the building erected for that purpose now stands, to be known and designated by the name of Thetford Academy.

Section II

It is hereby further enacted that the Rev. Doct. Asa Burton, Jedidiah P. Buckingham, Joseph Reed, William Heaton, Lyman Fitch, Thomas Kendrick, Simeon Short, Elijah Hammon, T.P. Bartholomew with their associates and successors be constituted and appointed a body politic and corporate to all intents and purposes both in name and fact with all the rights, powers, and privileges belonging to similar institutions, to be known by the name of the Trustees of Thetford Academy.

Section III

And it is hereby further enacted that the said corporation may have a common seal, and the same alter at pleasure, that they may sue and be sued, may prosecute and defend in all suits and actions, may make their own laws, rules and regulations, not repugnant to the constitution and laws of this State, for the regulation of said Academy, may take and hold by grant, gift, purchase or otherwise any estate, personal or real, to any amount for the benefit of said corporation.

Section IV

And it is hereby further enacted, that the persons named in the second section of this act, may add to their number until the whole of the members of the corporation shall not exceed twenty-four, and the said corporation may supply any vacancies which may happen by death, resignation or otherwise of any members of said corporation at any meeting of said corporation warned and holden according to any rules which may be established. And that Rev. Doctor Burton, Joseph Reed and Thomas Kendrick, or either two of them are hereby authorized to warn the first meeting of said corporation at any convenient time and place within three months from the rising of this Legislature for the purpose of transacting proper business, making rules and regulations, choosing officers and appointing time of annual meetings for the benefit of said corporation and that a majority of the members of said corporation entitled to vote shall constitute a quorum.

Section V

And it is hereby further enacted that all real and personal estate of said corporation held for the benefit of said Academy shall be free and forever exempted from all taxes.

STATE OF VERMONT SEC. OF STATE'S OFFICE MONTPELIER, Nov 5, 1819 A.D.

I. William Slade Jun., Secretary of the State of Vermont, do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an act passed by the Legislature of this State on the 29th of October, A.D. 1819 as appears by the records in my office. Witness the seal of this State at Montpelier the day and year above written.

William Slade, Jun.

Revised and adopted on January 20, 2000.