

## Federal Charter and Constitution

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U.S. Statutes at Large, 62nd Congress, 1911-1913, Vol. 37, Part 1, Public Laws, as amended by Act of April 10, 1962, 87th Congress, Public Law 87433.

CHARTER 106.—An Act to incorporate the American Numismatic Association.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that

H.O. Granberg of Oshkosh, Wisconsin; William A. Ashbrook of Johnstown, Ohio; Henry Chapman of Philadelphia;

J.M. Henderson of Columbus, Ohio; Howland Wood of Brookline, Massachusetts, together with such persons as they may associate with themselves, and their successors, be, and they hereby are, constituted a body corporate of the District of Columbia.

Section 2. That the name of such body corporate shall be “American Numismatic Association,” and by that name it shall have perpetual succession.

Section 3. That the objects of the said corporation shall be to advance the knowledge of numismatics along educational, historical and scientific lines in all its various branches; to assist in bringing about better cooperation between all persons interested in the coinage, circulation, classification, collection, sales, exhibition, use and preservation of all coins, bills and medals; to acquire and disseminate trustworthy information bearing upon these topics; to promote greater popular interest in the science of numismatology, and for the particular purpose of bringing the numismatists of America into closer relations with one another, and of promoting friendly feeling for one another through social intercourse, the interchange of ideas and discussions of mutual interests; to acquire, own, hold, and dispose of such personal property and own real estate for its own use, as may be necessary to properly carry into effect the purposes herein set forth; and to perform all such other acts and things as may be necessary to the full carrying into effect the said purposes, but such purposes do not include operations for pecuniary profit.

Section 4. That the principal office of said Association shall be in the District of Columbia, but the Association through its representatives shall have power to establish and maintain such other offices throughout America as the business of the Association may require.

Section 5. That the control of such corporation shall be vested in a board of not less than five (5) governors, to be elected by the members of such Association. The incorporators hereof shall act as the Board of Governors for the first year and until others are chosen in their stead.

Section 6. That the Board of Governors shall have the power to make such prudential bylaws and regulations as they may deem proper for the management and control of the business and affairs of the Association not inconsistent with this Act or the laws of the United States of America.

Section 7. That said Association shall further have power to have and use a common seal and to alter and change the same at its pleasure; to sue and be sued in any court of the United States or other court of

competent jurisdiction; to take or receive for the purposes of the Association any gift, grant or device; and to accept and administer any trust for the purposes of the Association.

Section 8. That this Act shall be subject to alteration, amendment or repeal at the pleasure of the Congress of the United States.

Section 9. That this Act shall take effect immediately on its passage.