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18 of 2002.

[10th August, 2002]

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Spanish United Pentecostal Church Inc. Act.

Interpretation.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,

“Church” means the Spanish United Pentecostal Church Inc.;

“Corporation” means the corporation or church by the name “Spanish United Pentecostal Church Inc.,” constituted under section 3 of this Act;

“property” means property of every description, real or personal, movable or immovable.

Construction of Church as body corporate.

3.—(1) The Spanish United Pentecostal Church Inc., is hereby constituted a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal which may be altered from time to time, and it may be its corporate name sue or be sued, plead or be impleaded in all courts of law.

Committee of Management of the Church.

4. The President of the Church for the time being and his successors in office, and the members of the Committee of Management of the Church for the time being and their successors in office shall form the Committee of Management of the Church which shall be responsible for administering the affairs of the Church.

General powers of the Church.

5. The Church shall exercise all the powers and perform all of the functions and duties directed and empowered by the President of the Church and its Committee of Management.

Execution of documents.

6. Any deed or other instrument, or any interest therein, shall be deemed to be fully executed if there is affixed to that deed or other instrument the seal of the Church and the signatures of the President and Secretary of

the Church, or of any two officers of the Committee or Management of the Church duly authorized for the purpose.

7. The Church shall have full power to,

Capacity of the Church.

- (a) acquire and hold by purchase, devise or otherwise, property within Belize, and to convey, assign, demise, or otherwise dispose of that property;
- (b) borrow and take up at interest any sum or sums of money for the purpose of erecting or improving churches, schools, dwelling houses, or other buildings, and for that purpose to mortgage by deed under the Church's corporate seal portions of the lands, tenements, and hereditaments as may be necessary for securing the repayment of that money, with interest thereon;
- (c) organize, maintain, carry on, foster, promote and contribute to the support of the church, education, training, social services, publication and doctrines of the Church; and
- (d) hold, take, control, improve, manage, employ and invest all such property as may be deemed advisable, but only for the purpose of the Church;
- (e) do all other things deemed necessary, convenient or expedient to the accomplishment of any or all of the powers aforesaid.

8. All property belonging to the Church shall be vested in the Corporation.

Church property vested in the Corporation.

9. In proclaiming its doctrines and conducting its affairs the Corporation shall obey the laws of Belize and the Belize Constitution, Cap. 4.

Obedience to the laws of Belize.

Power to make by-laws.

10. The Church shall have the power to make by-laws and to alter the same for its own internal management and control, and such by-laws shall be binding on every member thereof.

Saving of State and other rights.

11. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the Government of Belize, its heirs and other successors, or of any other person, except such as is mentioned or referred to in this Act, and those claiming by, through, from or under them.