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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

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CHRISTIANA FIRE COMPANY

FIRST: The name of this Corporation is
CHRISTIANA FIRE COMPANY.

SECOND. Its principal office and place of business in the State of Delaware is to be located in the Village of Christiana, in the County of New Castle, and the agent resident therein, and in charge thereof is the Christiana Fire Company.

THIRD. The nature of the business and the objects and purposes for which this corporation is formed, are to do any and all things herein set forth, to the same extent and as fully as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world, as principal, agent, contractor, trustee, or otherwise, and either alone or in company with others, namely: To extinguish fires, to protect property from damage by fire, to save property from destruction by fire, and use and employ all means, inventions, apparatus and appliances necessary therefor and adapted thereto, and to exercise all such rights, and privileges therefor and adapted thereto and to exercise all such rights, privileges and powers as are usually exercised by fire companies.

To purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, own, mortgage, pledge, sell, assign and transfer or otherwise possess real and personal property of every class and description and any particular land, buildings, apparatus, etc., used in carrying on the work of a fire company, and for housing engines, trucks, hook and ladder wagons and providing dormitories and beds for the members of this corporation as may be necessary for the carrying on of the various activities of a fire company.

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IN FURTHERANCE AND NOT IN LIMITATION of the general powers conferred by the laws of the State of Delaware, and of the objects and purposes herein set forth, it is hereby expressly provided that this corporation shall also have the following powers, that is to say:

1. To acquire the good-will, rights, property and franchises, and to undertake the whole or any part of the assets and liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to pay for the same in cash, stock or bonds of this corporation, or otherwise; to hold or in any lawful manner to dispose of the whole or any part of the property so purchased; to conduct in any lawful manner the whole or any part of the business so acquired, and to exercise all the powers necessary or convenient in and about the conduct and management of such business.

2. To hold, purchase, or otherwise acquire, sell, guarantee, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of shares of the capital stock, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness created by any other corporation or corporations of this State or any other State, country or government and while the holder of such stock, to exercise all the rights and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote thereon, to the same extent as natural persons might or could do.

3. To make and enter into and perform contracts of every sort and kind for any lawful purpose with any individual, firm, association, corporation, private, public or municipal body politic, and with the Government of the United States or any State, Territory or Colony thereof, and to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures and other negotiable or transferable instruments so far as may be permitted by the laws of the State of Delaware.

4. To apply for, or in any manner to acquire, and to hold, and operate, or sell, or in any manner dispose of

and to grant license or other rights in respect of, and in any manner deal with any and all rights, inventions, improvements and processes used in connection with or secured under Letters Patent or Copyrights of the United States or other countries, and to make, operate or develop the same, and to carry on any business, manufacturing or otherwise, which may directly or indirectly effectuate these objects or any of them.

5. To conduct its business or any part thereof in any and all parts of the world, and to have one or more offices out of the State of Delaware, and to purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, mortgage, or otherwise lien and encumber, and sell, convey and transfer real and personal property of every kind and nature both within and without the State of Delaware, and to issue its bonds in pursuance thereof.

6. In general, to carry on any other business within or without the State of Delaware in connection therewith, whether manufacturing or otherwise, not forbidden by the laws of the State of Delaware, and with all the powers conferred by the said laws upon corporations.

7. To become and be the trustee of any person, firm, association or corporation, and to exercise all the powers and privileges of a trustee in accordance with the terms and conditions of the trust under and by which the same is committed to it.

8. It is the intention that the objects, purposes and powers specified in this third paragraph shall, except where otherwise expressed in said paragraph, be nowise limited or restricted by reference to or inference from the terms of any other clause or paragraph in this Certificate of Incorporation, but that the objects, purposes and powers specified in each of the clauses of this Certificate of Incorporation shall be regarded as independent ob-

jects, purposes and powers.

FOURTH: This corporation shall have no capital stock. All white citizens of the State of Delaware of good character of the age of twenty-one (21) years and upwards are eligible to be elected into membership in this corporation and may be legally elected to such membership and after election shall pay such initiation fees and membership dues as by the by-laws of this Corporation shall be prescribed.

FIFTH: The names and places of residence of each of the original ~~members of the corporation~~ are as follows:

NAME.	RESIDENCE.
Charles G. Smith	Christiana, Delaware
George L. Appley	Christiana, Delaware
Charles E. Goff	Christiana, Delaware
Alton R. Wingate	Christiana, Delaware
Lewis Thorpe	Christiana, Delaware
Ernest Raymond Louth	Christiana, Delaware
Alva B. Currinder	Christiana, Delaware
George B. Ware	Christiana, Delaware
Harry Cleaves	Christiana, Delaware
Walter Cleaves	Christiana, Delaware
George L. Cleaves	Christiana, Delaware
B. B. Peters	Christiana, Delaware
Charles H. Ayars	Christiana, Delaware
William O. Levey	Christiana, Delaware
John T. Porter	Christiana, Delaware
John Walker	Christiana, Delaware
Geo. W. Butler	Christiana, Delaware
Louis Denn	Christiana, Delaware
Dewey Clayville	Christiana, Delaware
Norman Cleaves	Christiana, Delaware

SIXTH. The existence of this corporation is to be perpetual.

SEVENTH. The private property of the members shall not be liable for the payment of corporate debts to any extent whatever.

EIGHTH.

A. The Board of Directors shall have power and authority to make and alter or amend the By-Laws; to fix the amount, in cash or otherwise, to be reserved as working capital, and to authorize and cause to be executed mortgages and liens on the property and franchises of this corporation.

B. The Board of Directors shall have the power and authority, with the consent in writing and pursuant to the vote of three fourths of the members in good standing to sell, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of the whole property and business of this corporation, but not otherwise.

C. The Board of Directors shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places, and under what conditions and regulations the accounts and books of this corporation, or any of them, shall be opened to the inspection of the members, and no member shall have the right to inspect any account or book or document of this corporation except as conferred by the Statute of the State of Delaware, or authorized by the Directors, or by resolution of the Members.

D. The Board of Directors may, by resolution passed by a majority of the whole board, designate two or more of their number to constitute an executive committee, who, to the extent provided in said resolution or in the by-laws of this corporation,

shall have and exercise the powers of the Board of Directors in the management of the business and affairs of this corporation, and may have power to authorize the corporate seal to be affixed to all papers which may require it.

E. The directors may, by vote of the members, be divided into one, two or three classes, the term of office of the first class to expire at the annual meeting next ensuing; of the second class, one year thereafter; of the third class, two years thereafter; and at each annual election held after such classification and election, directors shall be chosen for the full term, as the case may be, to succeed those whose terms expire.

F. The members and directors shall have power to hold their meetings, and keep the books, documents and papers of this corporation outside of the State of Delaware, and at such places as may be from time to time designated by the by-laws or by resolution of the members or directors, except as otherwise required by the laws of the State of Delaware.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware, do make, record and file this certificate, and do certify that the facts herein stated are true.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Sixteenth day of December A. D. nineteen hundred and twenty-one.

IN the presence of
L. W. Lovett

Charles G. Smith (SEAL)
George L. Appleton (SEAL)
Charles E. Guff (SEAL)
Alton R. Winger (SEAL)
Samuel J. [unclear] (SEAL)

Ernest H. Smith (SEAL)
Frederic C. ... (SEAL)
Charles H. ... (SEAL)
William B. ... (SEAL)
John W. ... (SEAL)
John W. ... (SEAL)
B. B. ... (SEAL)
A. B. Curinder (SEAL)
Geo. W. Butler (SEAL)
Louis J. ... (SEAL)
Walter ... (SEAL)
Lewis ... (SEAL)
Norman ... (SEAL)
Geo. A. ... (SEAL)
George I. ... (SEAL)

State of Delaware }
County of New Castle } 83.

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this *5th* day of December

1921 personally came before me,

Leonard W. Lovitt, a Notary Public for the State of Delaware

Charles G. Smith, George L. Appelby, Charles E. Goff, Alton R.

Fingate, Lewis Thorpe, ~~John Walker~~, Ernest Raymond Louth,

Alva B. Currinder, George ~~W. B. ...~~, *William O. Leary*, *John P. ...*, *Thomas ...*

Harry Cleaves, ~~George W. Butler~~, L. Walter Cleaves, George Cleaves,

E. B. Peters, *Louis Bern*, ~~Ralph Smith~~, *Charles ...*, *Henry Ayars*, parties to

the foregoing Certificate of Incorporation, known to me personally to be such, and severally acknowledged the said certificate to be the act and deed of the signers respectively, and that the facts therein stated are truly set forth.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of office the day and year aforesaid.

Leonard W. Lovitt

Notary Public.

