

CHAP. LXXVI. — *An Act enlarging the Powers of the Levy Court of the County of Washington, in the District of Columbia.* May 9, 1866.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the levy court of the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia, is hereby empowered to declare and locate as public highways such roads known and used as military roads in said district during the rebellion as said court may deem advisable: *Provided,* That the damages which the owners of the land over which said roads pass shall sustain by reason of said roads being declared public highways, shall be assessed as provided for in section three of the act of Congress approved July first, eighteen hundred and twelve, entitled "An act conferring certain powers on the levy court for the county of Washington, in the District of Columbia."

Levy Court may locate certain roads as public highways.  
Damages.  
1812, ch. 117, § 8.  
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APPROVED, May 9, 1866.

CHAP. LXXIX. — *An Act to incorporate the National Theological Institute.* May 10, 1866.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That Abram D. Gillette, Edgar H. Gray, Edmund Turney, Zalman Richards, Robert J. Powell, William T. Johnson, Henry Beard, Charles H. Morse, Joseph C. Lewis, John S. Poler, David Rees, D. W. Anderson, Daniel C. Eddy, Leonard A. Grimes, Justice D. Fulton, William R. Williams, Isaac Westcott, Howard Malcolm, Joseph H. Kennard, Newton Brown, T. Dwight Miller, and all persons who shall or may be associated with them, and their successors, are hereby created and declared a body corporate and politic, in deed and in law, by the name of "The National Theological Institute," and by that name shall have succession and be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended, in all courts of law and equity and elsewhere; to make and use a common seal, and the same to alter or renew at pleasure; and generally to do and perform all things relative to the object of this corporation which is now and shall be lawful for any individual or body politic or corporate to do.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the object and purpose of this corporation shall be for the education of persons for the christian ministry, and those associated with them as assistants, in such course of theological and general studies as may be deemed proper for that purpose; and for that purpose is hereby authorized to elect or appoint such officers as may be deemed necessary or proper for the control of its affairs; to adopt such regulations and by-laws for its government as may be deemed necessary, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States in force in the District of Columbia, and to amend or repeal them at pleasure; to receive and hold any lands, tenements, annuities, moneys, goods, chattels, or other property of every kind or nature, which shall be given, granted, or bequeathed to it, or be otherwise acquired, for the purpose of carrying out the object of this corporation, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars in real estate at any one time; and the same to sell or dispose of in such manner as may be desired for the purpose aforesaid: *Provided,* That any property so acquired, or the proceeds thereof, or any money received as a gift, shall not be used for any other than such educational purposes: *And provided, also,* That no person shall be excluded from the advantages of education afforded by the institute on account of theological belief.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this act may at any time be altered, amended, or repealed.

APPROVED, May 10, 1866.

National Theological Institute incorporated.  
Act amended. See 1867, ch. 164. Post, p. 440.  
Its powers.  
Seal.  
Purposes of corporation.  
Officers.  
By-laws.  
Property, and how used.  
Amount of real estate.  
Theological belief not to exclude.  
Charter may be altered.