

MILTON S. HERSHEY
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APPENDIX XIV: 1919 PETITION

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF
DAUPHIN COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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IN RE: APPLICATION FOR CHARTER
“THE HERSHEY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.”
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TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF DAUPHIN COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA:—

In compliance with the requirements of the Act of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled “An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations”, approved the 29th day of April, A. D. 1874, and the several supplements thereto, the undersigned, all of whom are citizens of Pennsylvania, having associated themselves together for the purposes and by the name hereinafter specified, and desiring that they may be duly incorporated according to law, do hereby certify:

- 1 The name of the intended corporation is “The Hershey Industrial School.”
- 2 The purposes for which the said corporation is formed are as follows:—

To establish and provide a permanent, non-sectarian institution for the residence, physical and moral welfare, maintenance, support and education of poor, healthy, white, male orphans (an orphan being a child whose father is deceased) between the ages of four and eighteen years, for their instruction in useful trades and occupations, and to make provision for their further education, before or after their arrival at the age of eighteen years, at some other school, college, or university, all of which shall be done according to the provisions of a Deed of Trust, executed by Milton S. Hershey and Catharine S. Hershey, his wife, to the Hershey Trust Company, Trustee, dated November 15, 1909, recorded in the Recorder’s Office in and for the County of Dauphin, Pennsylvania, in Deed Book E, Vol. 14, Page 331, a copy of which Deed of Trust is hereto attached and made a part hereof.^[696]

- 3 The business of the corporation is to be transacted at Hershey, in Derry Township, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania.
- 4 The corporation is to exist perpetually.

⁶⁹⁶ Refer to Appendix V: Deed of Trust – Original.

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5 The income of the corporation from real and personal estate shall be of the clear yearly value of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00).

6 The names and residences of the subscribers are as follows:—

Wm. H. Lebkicher,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
Ezra F. Hershey,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
John A. Landis,	Manada Hill, Pennsylvania
J. B. Leithiser,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
Wm. F. R. Murrie,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
John E. Snyder,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
A. W. Stauffer,	Swatara Station, Pennsylvania
S. C. Stecher,	Hummelstown, Pennsylvania

7 The number of Managers is fixed at ten (10), and the names and residences of those who are chosen Managers for the first year are as follows:

M. S. Hershey,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
Wm. H. Lebkicher,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
Ezra F. Hershey,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
John A. Landis,	Manada Hill, Pennsylvania
J. B. Leithiser,	Hershey Pennsylvania
Wm. F. R. Murrie,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
U. G. Risser,	Campbelltown, Pennsylvania
John E. Snyder,	Hershey, Pennsylvania
A. W. Stauffer,	Swatara Station, Pennsylvania
S. C. Stecher,	Hummelstown, Pennsylvania

8 The corporation has no capital stock.

WITNESS our hands and seals this fourth day of December, A. D. 1919.

WM. H. LEBKICHER	(SEAL)
EZRA F. HERSHEY	(SEAL)
JOHN A. LANDIS	(SEAL)
J. B. LEITHISER	(SEAL)
WM F.R. MURRIE	(SEAL)
JOHN E. SNYDER	(SEAL)
A. W. STAUFFER	(SEAL)
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA,)ss:
COUNTY OF DAUPHIN.)

Before me, a Notary Public in and for said State and County, residing at Hershey in said County, personally appeared Wm. H. Lebkicher, Ezra F. Hershey, and S. C. Stecher, three of the subscribers to the foregoing Certificate of Incorporation, who, in due form of law, acknowledged the same to be their act and deed, and the act and deed of their said associates, according to the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this fourth day of December, A. D. 1919.

[SEAL]

A. M. MOWERY,
Notary Public

My Commission expires end of next session of Senate.

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DECREE

AND Now, December thirtieth, 1919, the within Certificate of Incorporation having remained on file in the Office of the Prothonotary of this Court since the 6th day of December, 1919, being the day on which publication of notice of intended application was first made, as appears by the record, and due proof of said publication having been made, I do hereby certify that I have perused and examined said instrument, and find the same to be in proper form and within the purposes named in the first class of corporations, specified in Section 2, of the Act of Assembly of April 29, 1874, and that said purposes are lawful and not injurious to the community.

It is therefore ordered and decreed that the said Charter be, and the same is, hereby approved, and upon the recording of the same and its endorsements and this order in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for the said County of Dauphin, Pennsylvania, the subscribers thereto and their associates and successors shall thenceforth be a corporation for the purposes and upon the terms and under the name therein stated.

GEORGE KUNKEL, P. J.

Judge

Attest:

CHARLES E. PASS

Prothonotary.

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ENDORSEMENTS

BY THE RECORDER OF DEEDS:

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STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA,)*ss*:
DAUPHIN COUNTY.)

Recorded in the Office for Recording of Deeds, &c. in and for the County of Dauphin, in Charter Book L, Page 282, &c.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office this 30 day of December, Anno Domini 1919.

[RECORDER’S SEAL]

JAMES E. LENTZ,
Recorder.

BY THE PROTHONOTARY :

567 Jan’y Term 1920
Filed Dec 6 1919