



GUYANA

ACT No. 7 of 1975

**PEOPLES TEMPLE OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST
CHURCH (INCORPORATION) ACT 1975**

I assent.

A. CHUNG,
President.
7/11 March, 1975.

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AN ACT to incorporate the Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ Church in Guyana and for purposes connected therewith.

A.D. 1975. Enacted by the Parliament of Guyana:—

Short
title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ Church (Incorporation) Act 1975.

Inter-
pretation.

2. In this Act —

“the Board” means the Board of Directors of the Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ Church in Guyana appointed or elected in conformity with the Articles and By-laws for the time being in force of the parent Church;

“the Church” means the Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ Church in Guyana;

“the parent Church” means the Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ of the State of California in the United States of America.

Incorpora-
tion of
the Board
of
Directors.

3. James Jones, holding the offices of Pastor and President of the parent Church, Marceline Jones, Vice President, Timothy Stoen, Secretary, Joyce Touchette, Treasurer, of the said parent Church, and any persons appointed in addition to them by the parent Church to be members of the Board, and their successors in office, shall be a body corporate and shall have the name of the Board of Directors of the Peoples Temple of the Disciples of Christ Church in Guyana.

Limitation
on the
powers of
the Board.

4. No property of the Church may be distributed by the Board to or for the benefit of any person and upon the dissolution of the Church all property of the Church that is subject to transfer shall be distributed to the parent Church.

Death or
absence
from
Guyana of
members
of the
Board.

5. In the event of the death or absence from Guyana of any member of the Board, all or any of the powers conferred on the said Board by this Act may be exercised by the surviving or remaining members, provided, however, that such powers may not be exercised by less than three members of the Board.

Vesting of
property
bequeathed.

6. All property movable or immovable of whatever nature or kind hereafter bequeathed by will or otherwise given to the Church shall be deemed to be the property of the Board.

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7. All property vested in or hereafter acquired by the Board shall be held by the Board for the use and benefit of the Church.

Tenure of property for the use of the Church.

8. In all matters not specially provided for by this Act, the Board shall, so far as may be practicable, possess and exercise the like power and authority as are now or may hereafter be possessed and exercised by the parent Church, and its proceedings shall be governed by the laws, regulations, processes and practice of that body in so far as they are not repugnant to, or in conflict with, any law in force in Guyana.

Exercise of powers by Board in matters not specially provided for by Act.

9. A statement that any person named therein is a member of the Board, purporting to be signed by the President and the Secretary of the parent Church shall be prima facie evidence of the said fact.

Evidence of membership of the Board.

10. All process which is required to be served on the Board shall be deemed to be sufficiently served if served at the residence in Guyana of the Pastor, or otherwise in accordance with rules of court for the time being in force in Guyana.

Service of process.

Passed by the National Assembly on the 26th, of February, 1975.

F. A. Narain,
Clerk of the National Assembly.