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An Act to incorporate the Burlington Ladies' Academy. 30th August, 1851.

Be it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Mayor of the City of Hamilton, for the time being, George Sylvester Tiffany, John W. Hunter, Edward Jackson, John Fisher, Daniel Cummings VanNorman, Peter Carroll, Robert R. Smiley, Charles Newby Sims, Samuel Black Freeman, Michael Ackman, Alexander Hopkins, and Caleb Hopkins VanNorman, and their successors, shall be, and they are hereby constituted a Body Corporate, by the name of "Burlington Ladies' Academy," to be located at the City of Hamilton, for the purpose of establishing, maintaining and conducting a Seminary of Learning, for the Education of Females, and the persons above named shall be the Trustees of the said Corporation.

II. And be it enacted, That the said Corporation shall have power to purchase, take and hold, real and personal Estate, to the annual value of Fifteen Hundred Pounds, Halifax Currency, and to lease, sell or otherwise dispose of the same, for the use of the said Institution.

III. And be it enacted, That the Trustees shall have power to elect the Faculty of the Institution, form Regulations and By-laws, prescribe the course of study, attend examinations, and regulate the Government and Instruction of the Students, and to fill all vacancies that shall occur in their Board.

IV. And be it enacted, That there shall always be Thirteen Trustees of the said Corporation, excepting when a vacancy or vacancies shall occur, which vacancy or vacancies shall be supplied as aforesaid, within one month after they may happen; and that five of said Trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

V. And be it enacted, That upon the death, resignation or removal from this Province of any Trustee, his vacancy shall be filled as hereinbefore provided.

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of the said Corporation, at all times when they may be called upon so to do by the Governor of this Province, to render an account in writing of their property and affairs, in which shall be set forth in particular the income by them derived from property held under this Act, and the means by which the same has been acquired, also the number of Members of the said Corporation, the number of Teachers employed in the various branches of Instruction, the number of Scholars under Instruction, and the course of Instruction pursued.