

LINCOLN HOMESTEAD.

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| 1. Appoints a board of trustees to receive the property in trust for the State. | | § 3. Expenditure of moneys for keeping in repair; to keep it open and employ a custodian. |
| 2. Care and custody. | | § 4. Appropriates \$3,800. |
| | | § 5. Report of board. |

AN ACT to create a board of trustees to take and hold the title the homestead of Abraham Lincoln, in the city of Springfield, the State of Illinois, in trust for the State of Illinois, and provide for the care and custody thereof, and to appropriate money for paying the custodian to keep and exhibit said homestead and the relics and curiosities there collected.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois represented in the General Assembly: That the Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor, Treasurer, and Superintendent of Public Instruction, of the State of Illinois, and their successors in office, shall constitute a board of trustees, and, by the name and style of the Lincoln Homestead Trustees, shall have power to receive a conveyance from Robert T. Lincoln and his wife, of Chicago, Illinois, the homestead of the late Abraham Lincoln, and situate at the corner of Eighth and Jackson streets, in the city of Springfield, the State of Illinois, and to hold the same in perpetuity, but in trust for the State of Illinois; to execute in said name and style and deliver to the said Robert T. Lincoln, a contract covenanted with the said Robert T. Lincoln and his heirs, that said homestead shall be forever kept in good repair and free of access to the public under such regulations as they may deem wise, for the proper preservation of the property and relics and curiosities there collected.

§ 2. Said board shall have full authority over and control of said homestead; shall have power to contract with reference to the proper care and custody thereof, and of the relics and curiosities there collected, and with reference to repairs of the said homestead, to the employment of persons to exhibit the same to the public, and in said name and style may sue and be sued in reference to any matters appertaining to the powers and trusts hereby created.

§ 3. It shall be the duty of said trustees to use the moneys that may from time to time be appropriated by the General Assembly so far as can be done with such moneys, to keep said premises in good repairs; to keep the same open and free of access to the public at all seasonable hours on week days, and to employ a custodian to care for said premises, and exhibit the same and the relics and curiosities there collected to the public.

§ 4. There is hereby appropriated the sum of three thousand eight hundred dollars to defray the expenses of repairing said premises and employing custodians and carrying out the purposes of this act, for the period of two years after the approval of this act, and to be paid out of any moneys in the treasury of the State not otherwise appropriated, on warrants of the Auditor upon the Treasurer, on the direction of a majority of said board, from time to time as the same may be required for the purposes of this act.

§ 5. Said board shall report to each General Assembly before the twentieth day of the session, a detailed account of all their transactions, and of all expenditures made by them, and also such recommendations as they may deem proper for the consideration of the General Assembly.

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