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Declaration and Certificate of Incorporation

OF THE

Home for Friendless Women.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO,
COUNTY OF CARLETON. To all to whom these Presents shall come.

We, the undersigned, do hereby declare that it is our intention to establish a Home for Friendless Women at the City of Ottawa, in the County of Carleton, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Statute, Chapter One Hundred and Seventy-Two of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1887, intituled "An Act respecting Benevolent, Provident and other Societies."

And we further declare and state as follows :-

I. That the name of the said Institution shall be "The Ottawa Home for Friendless Women."

II. Its object shall be to afford a temporary shelter to friendless women discharged female prisoners and those desiring to forsake a life of sin, and to provide for them while inmates of the Home, suitable employment as well as the ministrations of the Gospel.

III. The first trustees or managing officers of the said Home are: Bertha H. Wright, Agnes Macdonald, Mary Falding, Margaret Gibson, Henrietta Falconer, Mary Larmonth, Henrietta Edwards, Helena Topley, Charlotte Ross, Florence Living, Mary Blackburn, Annie Keefer, Mary Stephens, Minnie Lindsay, Agnes Mary Stroud and Annie H. Durie.

IV. The affairs of the Home shall be under a Board of Management consisting of sixteen members including officers, who shall have the supervision and control of the affairs of the Home.

V. The officers of the Home shall be a Superintendent, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall form part of the Board of Management, and shall continue in office until their successors have been appointed.

VI. The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Corporation shall take place on the third Tuesday in January in each and every year, to receive reports, elect a new Board of Management and to transact such other business as may come before it.