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THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND  
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PEOPLE IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK OF MUSEUMS  
OF THE PEACEFUL ARTS

THIS INSTRUMENT WITNESSETH That the Regents of the University of the State of New York have granted this charter for the purpose of forming a corporation to establish and maintain as a permanent and useful memorial of the century of peace and amity that has followed the signing of the Treaty of Ghent on Christmas Eve, 1814, in the City of New York, and for the people thereof, and for the benefit of the citizens of the State of New York and of the United States generally, buildings which shall be devoted to the housing and proper exposition of permanent exhibits in the following branches, among others, of the industrial and peaceful arts:

- (a) Electricity
- (b) Steam
- (c) Astronomy and Navigation
- (d) Safety appliances
- (e) Aviation
- (f) Mechanical Arts

- (g) Agriculture
- (h) Mining
- (i) Labor
- (j) Efficiency
- (k) Historic Records
- (l) Health and Hygiene
- (m) Textiles
- (n) Ceramics and Clays
- (o) Architecture
- (p) Scenic Embellishment
- (q) Gardening
- (r) Roads and Road Building materials
- (s) Commerce and Trade
- (t) Printing and Books

and with the further purpose and power to establish and to maintain a library building which shall contain books and periodicals giving information in respect of the subjects covered by the various museums; to erect and to maintain a building containing an auditorium for purposes of popular assembly, with contiguous rooms for committee meetings, lectures, and the various purposes incident to the operation of such a group of museums; to perform all the functions pertaining to the maintenance and operation of museums and concomitant institutions relating in any way to the development of the peaceful arts and progress in industrial education; and to open the museums, the library and the assembly rooms for the uses of the schools, the colleges and the universities of the City and State of New York, and, in particular, to bring about the creation of such a museum institution

as shall be of greatest utility and advantage to the people of the City, State and Nation in the fostering and furtherance of commercial and industrial education; incorporating

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Alexander C. Humphreys	Charles H. Strong
H. E. Huntington	John A. Stewart
Robert Underwood Johnson	Nikola Tesla
George F. Kunz	Henery R. Towne and
T. Commerford Martin	F. A. Vanderlip

and their associates and successors under the corporate name of The Association for the Establishment and Maintenance for the People in the City of New York of Museums of the Peaceful Arts, to be located in the City of New York, in the County and State of New York, with twenty-two trustees, to be, at first, the persons named as incorporators to hold until their successors shall be chosen by the corporation, whose membership may be increased or decreased in such manner and upon such terms as shall be provided for by general rules of its trustees, who may, from time to time, by unanimous vote of those present at a duly assembled meeting of a majority, or more, of their full board, fix their terms of office and their numbers, which shall not be more than twenty-five nor less than five, provided

such vote be ratified within three months by the duly acknowledged written assent of the trustees absent from such meeting.

GRANTED February 26, 1914,  
by the Regents of the University  
of the State of New York, ex-  
ecuted under their seal and  
recorded in their office. Number  
2406.

ST CLAIR MCKELWAY  
*Chancellor of the University*

JOHN H. FINLEY  
*President of the University  
and Commissioner of Education*

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