AN ACT for the incorporation of the Ashtang Yoga Association of Trinidad and Tobago and for matters incidental thereto.

[Assented to 26th September, 2000]

WHEREAS there has been established in Trinidad and Tobago, an Organisation known as the Ashtang Yoga Association of Trinidad and Tobago:
And whereas it is expedient that the Ashtang Yoga Association of Trinidad and Tobago be incorporated for the purposes hereinafter set forth.

Enactment

**ENACTED** by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Ashtang Yoga Association of Trinidad and Tobago (Incorporation) Act, 2000.

Incorporation

2. The Ashtang Yoga Association of Trinidad and Tobago (hereinafter called “the Association”) is hereby created a body corporate.

Aims and objectives

3. The aims and objectives of the Association are—
   
   (a) to form a nucleus of people devoted to the brotherhood of humanity without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste, colour or religion;

   (b) to investigate the divine laws of nature and their relationship to man;

   (c) to develop through study, discipline and practical application, the powers latent in man (particularly through the practice of yogic science);

   (d) to engage in devoted service to humanity at the physical, mental and spiritual levels and to encourage all other individuals, groups or organisations similarly engaged.

Powers of the Association

4. The Association shall have power—

   (a) to acquire by purchase, transfer, donation, exchange, demise, bequest, grant, gift, conveyance or howsoever otherwise any real or personal property or any estate or interest therein;
(b) to accept surrenders or reconveyances and to enter into contracts;

(c) to sell, exchange, demise, mortgage or otherwise dispose of and deal with all property which may for the time being be vested in it, subject to any restraint, reservation or condition in the document under which it has acquire title;

(d) to employ such servants, employees, consultants, contractors, professionals and other persons as may be found necessary for the due conduct of the affairs of the Association;

(e) to delegate any of its powers to any committee established for any specific purpose for any period as may be necessary and to dismiss same as the Association may deem necessary from time to time;

(f) generally to do all things necessary or expedient for the due conduct of the affairs of the Association not herein provided for.

5. All real and personal property of whatever nature now held by or vested in any person for the use and benefit of the Association is hereby transferred to and vested in the Association.

6. All documents requiring the seal of the Association shall be sealed with the Common seal of the Association in the presence of the President, the Secretary and one Administrator of the Association for the time being in office, or in the event of incapacity, unwillingness to act, or absence from the territory, in the presence of some other person or persons...
authorised for that purpose by the Association, who shall all sign every such document and such signing shall be prima facie evidence that the said Seal was duly affixed and that the same is the lawful seal of the Association.

7. (1) The Association shall at all times have a fixed address in Trinidad and Tobago for the service of documents and that address and any change thereof shall be registered with the Registrar General within twenty-eight days of the date of incorporation or of the change of address as the case may be.

(2) Every document to be served on the Association may be served by leaving the same at, or by sending the same by registered post to the registered address of the Association.

(3) Failure to register the address and any change thereof is a summary offence and renders the Association liable to a fine of one hundred and twenty dollars and to a further fine of ten dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction thereof.

8. (1) The Association may from time to time make rules for the proper conduct of its proceedings and discharge of its duties, powers and functions and such rules may be amended from time to time.

(2) The Association shall adopt a Constitution and may amend its Constitution from time to time as may be necessary and expedient.

9. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the State, or any bodies politic or corporate or of any persons, except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act and those claiming by, through, from or under them.
Passed in the House of Representatives this 21st day of July, 2000.

J. SAMPSON-JACENT
Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 3rd day of August, 2000.

D. DOLLY
Acting Clerk of the Senate