

# FLAG OF UNITED STATES.

## CHAPTER 88.

[S. B. 209.]

### DESECRATION OF THE FLAG.

AN ACT to Prevent and Punish the Desecration of the Flag of the United States.

*Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

§ 1. FLAG. PUNISHMENT FOR DESECRATION OF.] Any person who in any manner, for exhibition or display, shall place, or cause to be placed, any words or figures, or number, or marks, or inscriptions, or picture, or design, or device, or symbol, or token, or notice, or drawing, or any advertisement of any nature whatever, upon any flag, standard, color, or ensign, of the United States, or shall expose, or cause to be exposed, to public view any such flag, standard, color, or ensign of the United States, upon which shall be printed, painted or otherwise placed, or to which shall be attached, appended, affixed, or annexed, any words, or figures, or numbers, or marks, inscriptions, or pictures, or design, or device, or symbol, or token, or notice, or drawing, or any advertisement of any nature or kind whatever, or who shall expose to public view, or shall manufacture, or sell, or expose for sale, or have in possession for sale, or for use, any article, or thing, or substance, being an article of merchandise, or a receptacle of merchandise, upon which shall have been printed, painted or attached, or otherwise placed, a representation of any such flag, standard, color, or ensign of the United States, to advertise, or call attention to, or to decorate, or to ornament, or to mark, or to distinguish, the article, or thing, on which so placed, or shall publicly mutilate, trample upon, or publicly deface, or defy, or defile, or cast contempt, either by words or act, upon any such flag, standard, color, or ensign of the United States, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

§ 2. FLAG, ETC. MEANING OF.] The words flag, standard, color, or ensign, of the United States as used in this act shall include any flag, any standard, any color, any ensign, or any representation of, a flag, standard, color, or ensign, or a picture of a flag, standard, color, or ensign, made of any substance whatever, and of any size whatever, evidently purporting to be either of said flag, standard, color, or ensign of the United States, or a picture, or a representation of either thereof, upon which shall be shown the colors, the stars and stripes, in any number of either thereof, or by which the person seeing the same, without deliberation, may believe the same to represent the flag, or the colors, or the standard, or the ensign of the United States of America.

§ 3. ACT PERMITTED BY U. S. OR U. S. ARMY AND NAVY REGULATIONS. ACT DOES NOT APPLY.] This act shall not apply to any act permitted by the statutes of the United States or by the United States

army and navy regulations, nor shall this act be construed to apply to the regular issue of a newspaper or other periodical, on which shall be printed said flag, disconnected from any advertisement.

§ 4. PENALTY.] Any person offending against the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof before a court of competent jurisdiction, shall be fined a sum not less than five, or to exceed twenty-five dollars, or thirty days' imprisonment in the county jail, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

Approved March 13, 1901.

## FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS.

### CHAPTER 89.

[H. B. 2.]

#### FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS.

AN ACT to Provide for the Status, Organization, and Government of Associations Known as Lodges, Chapters, Posts, Encampments, Councils, Commanderies, Consistories and Other Similar Organizations of the Fraternities or Associations Commonly Known as the Various Organization of Free Masons, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Grand Army of the Republic, Knights of Pythias and Other Similar Benevolent or Charitable Fraternities or Associations Not Organized for Profit or Fraternal Insurance.

*Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

§ 1. FRATERNITIES AND ASSOCIATIONS.] Associations known as lodges, chapters, posts, encampments, councils, commanderies, consistories and other similar organizations, having a seal and working under a charter issued by some grand or sovereign body of like character to themselves, of the fraternities or associations commonly known as the various organizations of Free Masons, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Grand Army of the Republic, Knights of Pythias and other similar benevolent or charitable fraternities or associations, not organized for profit or for fraternal insurance, located in this state, shall, from and after the taking effect of this act, be deemed to be corporations, notwithstanding no articles of incorporation have been filed, and no charter granted by this state.

§ 2. CHARTER. COPY OF TO BE FILED WITH SECRETARY OF STATE AND REGISTER OF DEEDS. FEES OF.] Every such association now in existence shall, within thirty days of the taking effect of this act, and every association hereinafter organized shall, within thirty days after perfecting such organization and electing its officers, file with the secretary of state a copy of its charter under which it works, certified by the secretary of such organization, under the seal thereof, and shall