CHAPTER 97.

MONTSERRAT COTTON GROWERS ASSOCIATION.

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Short title.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Montserrat Cotton Growers Association Ordinance.

Interpretation.

2. In this Ordinance—

"Association" means the Montserrat Cotton Growers Association incorporated under this Ordinance.

Incorporation of the Montserrat Cotton Growers Association.

3. The present and all future members of the Association shall be and are hereby declared and adjudged to be one body politic and corporate by the name of the Montserrat Cotton Growers Association and by that name may have perpetual succession, and shall and may sue and be sued in all Courts and before all Magistrates, Justices and others in all manner of actions, suits, complaints, matters and causes whatsoever and shall or may have a Common Seal and may alter and vary the same at their pleasure and by the name aforesaid shall be in law and equity capable of holding all estate and property real and personal as may at any time be acquired by or come to the Association in any manner whatsoever and of selling, mortgaging charging or otherwise disposing of or dealing with such property aforesaid from time to time for the benefit of the Association.

Property of the Association alone liable for debts.

4. The funds, real estate and effects of the Association shall alone be subject and liable to any charge and demand against the Association, and no subscriber to the capital of the Association shall be liable for or charged with the payment of any debt or demand due from or by the Association beyond the extent of the aforesaid funds, property and effects of the Association.

Powers of Association.

5. The Association shall have full power and authority,

(i) to make rules for and concerning the nomination, election, suspension, removal and expulsion of members and officers, and the management, collection and disposal of the funds, moneys, or estate, belonging to the said Association, and for conducting and regulating the business affairs and concerns of the Association and relative to any other matter or thing whatsoever which may in any way concern the good government of the Association, and from time to time to amend or repeal the same as may seem proper:

Provided always that no such rules be in any way repugnant or contrary to Her Majesty's prerogative royal or to the laws of Great Britain or to this Colony, and the same shall not in any manner affect any person or persons other than those who are or may become members of the Association.

(ii) to fix and appoint all or any reasonable and adequate penalties for the non-observance, non-performance or breach of such rules and to enforce the due observance thereof.

(iii) to support, contribute to, work in association with or become a member of any other body or bodies whether corporate or incorporate which may be working towards similar objects:

Provided that all such rules made, varied or revoked by the Association shall not come into operation until approved by the Administrator.

Fines, etc., to be recovered in a summary manner.

6. All fines, levies, forfeitures and penalties to be incurred by virtue of any order, rule or regulation to be made, ordained and established as aforesaid and all sums of money to become due to the Association shall be sued for and recovered before any Magistrate on the complaint of the Secretary of the Association, and every Magistrate is hereby authorised and required to take cognisance thereof accordingly; and all penalties incurred under any rule as aforesaid, shall be paid, after deducting necessary charges, to the Treasurer of the Association for the time being for the use of the Association.

Disputes to be decided as directed by the rules.

7. Every dispute between any member or members of the Association or any person claiming through or under a member or under the rules of the Association shall be decided in a

manner directed by the rules of the Association, and the decision so made shall be binding and conclusive on all the parties without appeal.

Saving rights of the Crown

8. Nothing in this Ordinance declared or expressed shall affect the rights of Her Majesty the Queen, her heirs and successors, or any politic or corporate or any person or persons except such as are mentioned in this Ordinance and those claiming by, from or under them.