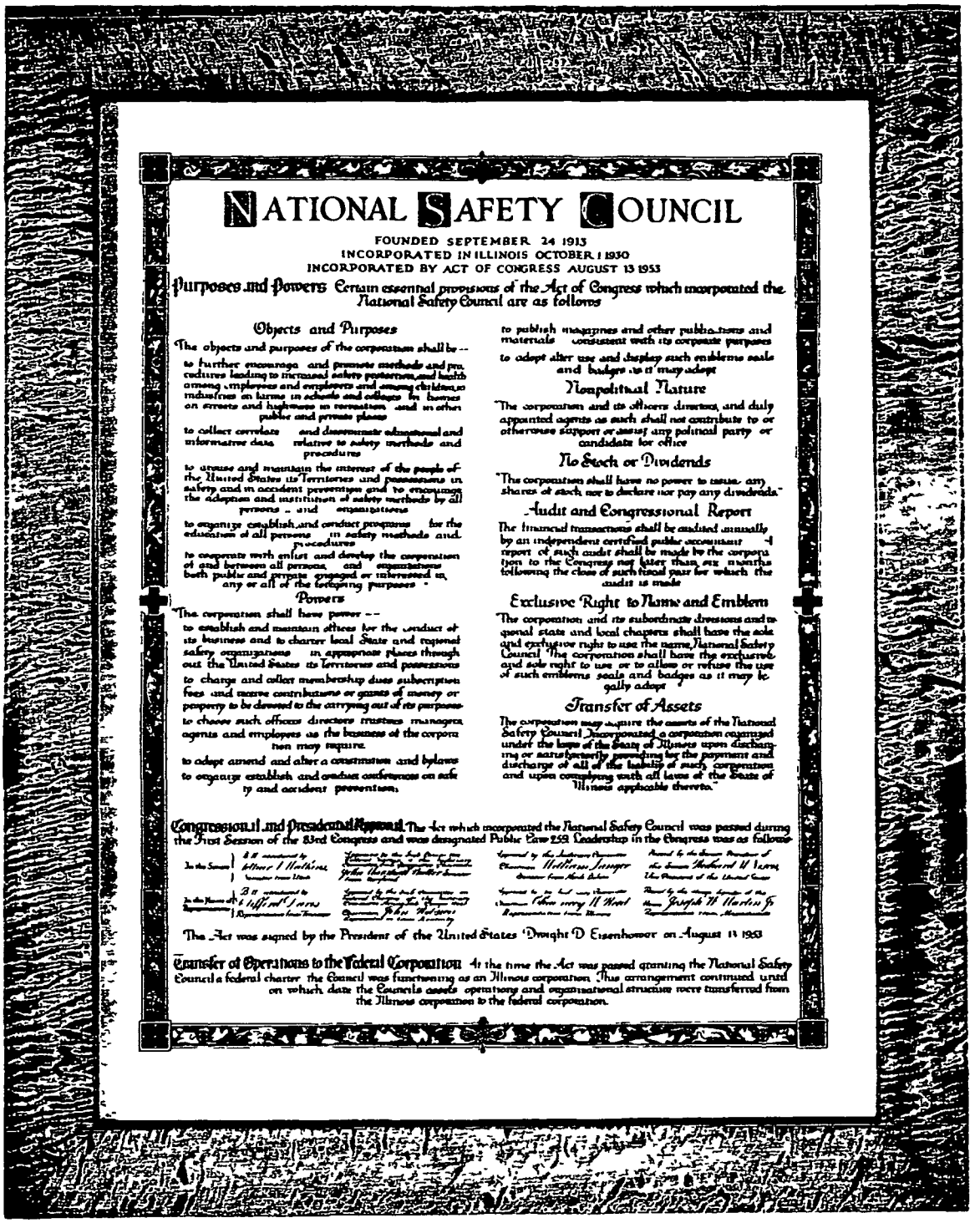


NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL

FOUNDED SEPTEMBER 24 1913
INCORPORATED IN ILLINOIS OCTOBER 1 1930
INCORPORATED BY ACT OF CONGRESS AUGUST 13 1953

Purposes and Powers Certain essential provisions of the Act of Congress which incorporated the National Safety Council are as follows

Objects and Purposes

"The objects and purposes of the corporation shall be --

to further encourage and promote methods and procedures leading to increased safety protection and health among employees and employers and among children in industries on farms in schools and colleges in homes on streets and highways on recreational and in other public and private places

to collect correlate and disseminate educational and informative data relative to safety methods and procedures

to arouse and maintain the interest of the people of the United States its Territories and possessions in safety and in accident prevention and to encourage the adoption and institution of safety methods by all persons and organizations

to organize establish and conduct programs for the education of all persons in safety methods and procedures

to cooperate with enlist and develop the cooperation of and between all persons and organizations both public and private engaged or interested in any or all of the foregoing purposes."

Powers

"The corporation shall have power --

to establish and maintain offices for the conduct of its business and to charter local State and regional safety organizations in appropriate places throughout the United States its territories and possessions

to charge and collect membership dues subscription fees and receive contributions or grants of money or property to be devoted to the carrying out of its purposes

to choose such officers directors trustees managers agents and employees as the business of the corporation may require

to adopt amend and alter a constitution and bylaws

to organize establish and conduct conferences on safety and accident prevention

to publish magazines and other publications and materials consistent with its corporate purposes

to adopt alter use and display such emblems seals and badges as it may adopt

Nonpolitical Nature

"The corporation and its officers directors and duly appointed agents as such shall not contribute to or otherwise support or assist any political party or candidate for office

No Stock or Dividends

"The corporation shall have no power to issue any shares of stock nor to declare nor pay any dividends."

Audit and Congressional Report

"The financial transactions shall be audited annually by an independent certified public accountant A report of such audit shall be made by the corporation to the Congress not later than six months following the close of such fiscal year for which the audit is made

Exclusive Right to Name and Emblem

"The corporation and its subordinate divisions and regional state and local chapters shall have the sole and exclusive right to use the name National Safety Council The corporation shall have the exclusive and sole right to use or to allow or refuse the use of such emblems seals and badges as it may legally adopt

Transfer of Assets

"The corporation may acquire the assets of the National Safety Council Incorporated a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois upon discharging or satisfactorily providing for the payment and discharge of all of the liabilities of such corporation and upon complying with all laws of the State of Illinois applicable thereto."

Congressional and Presidential Approval The Act which incorporated the National Safety Council was passed during the First Session of the 83rd Congress and was designated Public Law 258 Leadership in the Congress was as follows

In the Senate | 83 Congress | Approved by the Senate Committee | Passed by the Senate Members of
| 1st Session | Committee from Utah | Chairman Matthew Neely | the Senate Richard B Russ
| | Arthur V Watkins | Member from West Virginia | United States Senate

In the House of Representatives | 83 Congress | Approved by the Committee on | Passed by the House Members of the
| 1st Session | Representative from Tennessee | Chairman Edwin Arthur Hall | House Joseph W Martin Jr
| | Clifford Davis | Member from New York | Representative from Massachusetts

The Act was signed by the President of the United States Dwight D Eisenhower on August 13 1953

Transfer of Operations to the Federal Corporation At the time the Act was passed granting the National Safety Council a federal charter the Council was functioning as an Illinois corporation This arrangement continued until on which date the Council's assets operations and organizational structure were transferred from the Illinois corporation to the federal corporation.

THE NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL is the only national nongovernmental, privately supported, public service organization established solely for accident prevention In 1953, the 83rd Congress of the United States issued a Federal Charter for the Council, thus recognizing its work as an integral part of the American way of life

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