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An Act respecting Ner Israel Yeshiva College

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purposes of the Bill are described in the Preamble.

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Preamble	<p>Ner Israel-Joseph (J.T.) Tanenbaum Yeshiva College of Toronto has applied for special legislation to establish another corporation to grant degrees in the field of religious studies and research in higher Jewish learning. The applicant represents that it was incorporated by letters patent dated June 12, 1959 (under the name Ner Israel Yeshiva College of Toronto) and that, since then, it has maintained an institution of higher learning in theology, religious education, scholarship and research.</p> <p>It is appropriate to grant the application.</p> <p>Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:</p>	<p>3. Three people elected by the remaining members of the board.</p> <p>(2) The term of office of the members described in paragraphs 2 and 3 of subsection (1) is two years or until their successors are elected, whichever is the later.</p> <p>(3) If a vacancy on the board occurs, the board may continue to act for up to 90 days thereafter, despite the vacancy.</p> <p>(4) The board shall, by by-law, determine the manner and procedure for the election of the members described in paragraphs 2 and 3 of subsection (1).</p> <p>(5) The board may, by by-law, provide for the election and retirement in rotation of the members described in paragraph 2 of subsection (1).</p> <p>(6) A majority of board members constitutes a quorum unless the by-laws provide otherwise, but the by-laws cannot provide for a quorum of less than two-fifths of the board members.</p> <p>(7) On the day this Act comes into force, Marvin Sigler, Nathan Bleeman, David L. Hofstedter, Leonard A. Rothschild, Alan Heber, Gershon Kaplan and Marvin Rosenfield hold office as members under paragraphs 2 and 3 of subsection (1).</p> <p>(8) The members appointed by subsection (7) hold office until the second anniversary of the day this Act receives Royal Assent and they shall be deemed to have been elected.</p> <p>6. (1) The board of governors shall govern the college and manage its affairs and may exercise such powers as are necessary to carry out its duties.</p> <p>(2) Without limiting subsection (1), the board may do the following:</p> <p>1. Establish and terminate programs and courses of study.</p> <p>2. Appoint, promote, grant leave to, suspend and remove members of faculty and officers of the college.</p>	<p>Term of office</p> <p>Vacancy</p> <p>Election</p> <p>Same</p> <p>Quorum</p> <p>First board</p> <p>Same</p> <p>Powers of the board</p> <p>Same</p>
Definitions	<p>1. In this Act, “college” means Ner Israel Yeshiva College.</p>		
Corporation established	<p>2. (1) A corporation without share capital is hereby established under the name Ner Israel Yeshiva College.</p>		
Same	<p>(2) The corporation is composed of the members of its board of governors.</p>		
Objects	<p>3. The college has the following objects:</p> <p>1. To provide post-secondary training programs in religious education and in higher Jewish learning for rabbis, teachers and educators.</p> <p>2. To develop the devotional and spiritual life of its students.</p> <p>3. To encourage its students to develop a mastery of the content of the Bible and talmudic law and legal codes.</p>		
Power to grant degrees	<p>4. The college may grant diplomas and certificates and the degrees of Bachelor of Judaic Law, Bachelor of Talmudic Law, Master of Judaic Law, Master of Talmudic Law and Doctor of Judaic Law.</p>		
Board of Governors	<p>5. (1) The board of governors of the college is composed of the following persons:</p> <p>1. The president and the vice-president of the college.</p> <p>2. Four people elected from among the members of the college.</p>		

- 3. Establish and collect fees and charges for tuition and for services offered by the college.
- 4. Federate or affiliate the college with any other institution of higher learning.

Delegation

(3) The board may delegate any of its powers to a committee, if a majority of the committee members are also members of the board.

Academic council

7. (1) The academic council of the college is established and is composed of the following members:

- 1. The president and the vice-president of the college.
- 2. Such number of faculty members, not to exceed three, as is determined by the academic council.
- 3. Three members of the board (other than the president and the vice-president of the college), to be appointed by the board.

Amendments

(2) The board of governors may, by by-law, change the composition of the academic council.

Faculty representatives

(3) The members described in paragraph 2 of subsection (1) are to be elected in accordance with the requirements established by the academic council.

Same, term of office

(4) The term of office of each member described in paragraph 2 of subsection (1) is as determined by the academic council, and shall not exceed three years.

Presiding officer

(5) The president of the college is the presiding officer at meetings of the academic council.

8. (1) The academic council shall manage the academic affairs of the college and may do the following things: Powers of the academic council

- 1. Recommend to the board of governors the establishment and termination of programs and courses of study.
- 2. Determine the curricula of programs and courses of study.
- 3. Determine the standards of admission to and continued registration in the college.
- 4. Determine the qualifications for graduation and the standards for conferring diplomas, certificates and degrees.
- 5. Determine all matters relating to examinations and to the appointment of examiners.
- 6. Award fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, medals, prizes and other marks of academic achievement.

(2) The academic council may delegate any of its powers to a committee, if a majority of the committee members are also members of the academic council. Delegation

9. The board of governors shall make the by-laws of the board and of the academic council available for inspection at the head office of the college by the public during ordinary office hours. Inspection

10. This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent. Commencement

11. The short title of this Act is the *Ner Israel Yeshiva College Act, 2000.* Short title