

This instrument witnesseth *That the Board of Regents for and on behalf of the Education Department of the State of New York has granted this provisional charter,*
valid for a term of 3 years.

1. Incorporating Howard H. Fitch, Jon H. Lawson, Marguerite K. Fabel, Anita Frowney, Ruth C. Bonnard and their associates and successors as an educational corporation under the corporate name of The Musical Box Society International, to be located in Oceanide, county of Nassau and State of New York.
2. The purposes for which such corporation is to be formed are:
 - a. To establish and maintain a Museum for the preservation and exhibition of Musical Boxes;
 - b. To foster a genuine interest in the collection, restoration and preservation of Musical Boxes and to publish information thereon; and
 - c. To cooperate with individuals and with other organizations in exhibiting Musical Boxes for the education of the general public.
3. The persons named as incorporators shall constitute the first board of trustees. The board shall have power to adopt bylaws, including therein provisions fixing the method of election and the term of office of trustees, and shall have power also, by vote of two-thirds of all the members of the board of trustees, to change the number of trustees, to be not more than 25 nor less than 5.
4. The corporation hereby created shall be a nonstock corporation organized and operated exclusively for educational purposes, and no part of its earnings or net income shall inure to the benefit of any individual, and no officer, member, or employee of the corporation shall receive or be entitled to receive any pecuniary profit from the operations thereof, except reasonable compensation for services. Upon liquidation or dissolution of the corporation, to distribute any remaining funds or property to non-profit Museums, Libraries or other non-profit educational or charitable organizations, institutions or foundations engaged in similar or allied functions or purposes, subject to the approval of a Justice of the Supreme Court.
5. The principal office of the corporation is to be located in Oceanide, county of Nassau and State of New York.
6. The Commissioner of Education is designated as the representative of the corporation upon whom process in any action or proceeding against it may be served.
7. This provisional charter will be made absolute if, within 3 years, the corporation shall acquire resources and equipment available for its use and support and sufficient and suitable for its chartered purposes in the judgment of the Regents of the University and be maintaining an institution of educational usefulness and character satisfactory to them. Prior to the expiration of said 3-year period, an application for the renewal of this provisional charter or for an absolute charter will be entertained by the Regents, but, in the event that such application is not made, then at the expiration of said term of 3 years this provisional charter shall terminate and become void and shall be surrendered to the Regents.