

CHAPTER 31.

LEGALIZING—TOWN OF MANLY JUNCTION.

AN ACT to Legalize the Plat and Recording of the Plat of the Town H. F. 42.
of Manly Junction in Worth County, Iowa.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Salena Todd, owner of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 21, Preamble. township 98, north range 20, west of 5 P. M. procured a portion of same surveyed and platted into blocks and lots, streets and alleys for town of Manly Junction, Iowa, in 1878, which survey and plat was made by one Horace Stearns and dated June 26, 1878; and

WHEREAS, Said Mrs. Salena Todd failed to acknowledge and record said plat but sold and deeded to several different parties several lots as in said plat described, some which parties have again deeded and encumbered same; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 53, of laws of 18th general assembly, which was approved March 16, 1880, made the recording of such plats invalid unless certificates of the recorder and treasurer were attached thereto that the title to the entire tract of land covered by said plat was then in the grantor—which certificates it is now impossible to obtain because of conveyances of several lots to several purchasers thereof; and

WHEREAS, Said Salena Todd and her husband did on the 13th day of October, 1882 approve and acknowledge said plat and did file the same for record in office of the recorder of said county on the 1st day of January 1884, and the same now appears in record in the office of said recorder in due form and according to law, except lacking the certificates of treasurer and recorder; and

WHEREAS, The title in fee to said town plat is in said Salena Todd and same is unencumbered and free from taxes or other liens, so far as pertains to the original plat, but not as to lots already sold and conveyed since the plat was made; and

WHEREAS, Question arises as to the validity of said plat and as to how the errors of the past can be cured so that the plat and recording of same can be made lawful and valid; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That the said recorded plat of Manly Junction in Worth county, Iowa, be legalized and declared valid and in all respects binding to the same extent as if the law had been fully complied with in relation to same. Legalizing clause.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall be in force and take effect after its publication in the Iowa Publication.

State Register and the Worth County Eagle newspapers published at Des Moines and Northwood Iowa, without expense to the State.

Approved, March 20, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register* and *Worth County Eagle* March 27, 1884.

J. A. T. HULL, *Secretary of State*.

CHAPTER 32.

LEGALIZING—TOWN OF BELMOND.

H. F. 21.

AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation Ordinances, and Acts of the Officers, of the Incorporated Town of Belmond, in the County of Wright, Iowa.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The inhabitants of the town of Belmond, in the county of Wright, and state of Iowa, did in the year 1881 incorporate said town as the incorporated town of Belmond, by complying with or endeavoring to comply with sections 421, 422, 423, 424 and 425 of the code of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, A mayor, recorder, and six trustees, were elected by the citizens of said town; and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to whether the provisions of said sections have been fully complied with, and as to the legality of said incorporation, the election and qualification of the officers, and the acts of all its officers up to this time; and

WHEREAS, That at the regular election of officers for said town, held in March 1883, the mayor was duly elected, and within ten days from the time of his election was sworn into office, by the recorder of said town, and doubts arising as to the authority of said recorder to administer such oath, the said mayor after the expiration of the said ten days, at a regular meeting of the council of said town, in their presence, and with their consent, was again sworn into office by a justice of the peace of said county, all of which was made a matter of record in the records of said town; and

WHEREAS, Certain ordinances though regularly passed signed by the mayor and attested by the recorder and duly published as by law required, the original copies thereof were not recorded in the book of the written ordinances of said town, by the recorder whose duty it was to record them, until some days after the expiration of his term of office; and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of said ordinances; therefore,