

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

SECTION 1. That the incorporated town of Belmond in Wright county Iowa, the election and qualification of its officers up to this time, and all ordinances resolutions, and by-laws, passed by the council of said town, and the acts of all the officers of said town, acting by the authority thereby conferred, and the ordinances referred to in the preamble hereof, not in contravention with the laws of the state of Iowa, be and the same are hereby ratified and legalized, and declared to have the same effect, as if the original incorporation, the election and qualification of the officers, the passing publication, and recording, of its ordinances, had been regular, and in strict and full compliance with the laws then and now in force. Legalizing clause.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published in Des Moines, Iowa, and the Belmond Herald, a newspaper published at Belmond, Iowa, said publication to be without expense to the state. Publication.

Approved, March 20, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register* March 27, and in the *Belmond Herald* April 2, 1884.

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

## CHAPTER 33.

### LEGALIZING—TOWN OF MURRAY.

AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation of the Town of Murray, Clark county, Iowa and its Ordinances, The Acts of its Officers Thereunder and its Right To Sue and Be Sued in its Incorporated Name. H. F. 33.

I. WHEREAS, At the August term 1880 of the circuit court of the third judicial district of the State of Iowa in and for Clark county due and legal steps were taken to incorporate the town of Murray in Clark county and State of Iowa; and, Preamble.

II. WHEREAS, All the requirements of the law were complied with in the incorporation of said town of Murray—except the filing of the papers at the time in the office of the recorder of said county and the office of the secretary of state as provided by chapter ten of the code of Iowa; and,

III. WHEREAS, The papers in the proceedings being moved from the files of the said circuit court and being lost without any fault of said incorporated town and the notice of the boundaries of said town and the results of the election for incorporation being published at the time and in the manner as provided by law and a copy thereof and affidavit as required by law

being filed with the clerk of said court and a copy of said notice and all the entries made in said proceedings in the records of said circuit court were filed in the office of the recorder of Clark county on the tenth day of January 1884 and with the secretary of this state on the 23d day of January 1884; and,

WHEREAS, The said town of Murray has brought suit in its incorporated name against the original proprietors and platters of said town asking to have the title to block eight and thirty-eight (38) decreed in the said town of Murray and the ownership thereof as against the original proprietors of said town; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts exist as to the legality of said incorporation and the official acts of the council and officers of the same and to the right of said town to maintain actions in court in its incorporated name therefore,

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

Legalizing  
clause.

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of the said town of Murray be and the same is hereby legalized and the said town of Murray, Clark county Iowa is hereby declared to be a valid existing municipal incorporation under the laws of this state and all the ordinances passed and the rules and regulations adopted by the council of said town and all the official acts thereunder, not contrary to the laws of this state and the right of said town of Murray to maintain action and sue in its incorporated name at any time after the publication of the notice of the results of the election held for the incorporation of said town be and the same are hereby declared to be legal and valid in every respect as fully and completely as if the law had been complied with as provided in chapter ten of the code of Iowa, *provided*, that nothing in this act shall be held or construed to effect the rights of any party or parties to suits now pending.

Proviso.

Publication.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register published at Des Moines, Iowa and the Murray News, a newspaper published at Murray, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved, March 20, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register* April 30, and *Murray News* April 2, 1884.

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