

CHAPTER 37.

LEGALIZING—TOWN OF STRATFORD.

H. F. 180. AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation of the Town of Stratford, Hamilton County Iowa and to Legalize the Election of the Town Council and other officers and the official acts thereof.

Preamble. WHEREAS, At the August term 1883 of the circuit court of Hamilton county Iowa application was made for the incorporation of the town of Stratford in said county; and

WHEREAS, In pursuance thereof five commissioners were appointed to hold an election as required by law and did hold an election; and

WHEREAS, The call for said election was for one mayor, one assessor, one recorder and five trustees; and

WHEREAS, The seventeenth general assembly changed the number of trustees in incorporated towns from five to six; and

WHEREAS, Of the candidates for trustees voted for at said election four received majorities and two received an equal number of votes and the commissioners declared the six who stood highest among the number voted for at said election including the two who received an equal number of votes to be elected; and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality and validity of the acts of the said commissioners and of the acts of the trustees declared elected as herein set forth; therefore,

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

Legalizing clause.

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of the town of Stratford in the county of Hamilton state of Iowa be and the same is hereby legalized and that the election of officers and all official acts of the town council and other officials of the said town of Stratford done in pursuance of said incorporation be and the same are hereby legalized and binding as though no defect in the incorporation of said town or election of said trustees, had existed.

Publication.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register a newspaper published at Des Moines Iowa and the Webster City Argus a weekly newspaper published at Webster City Iowa without expense to the State.

Approved, March 20, 1884.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register* May 3, and *Webster City Argus* March 28, 1884.

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