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Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the incorporation of said town, because of said and other irregularities, and as to the legality and validity of the ordinances passed and other acts done by the town Council of said town since said incorporation; therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of said town of Urbana, in Benton county, Iowa, the election of its officers, and all the official acts done and ordinances passed by the town Council of said town, not in contravention with the laws of Iowa, are hereby legalized and the same are made valid as though the laws had in all respects been strictly complied with in the incorporation of said town, the election of its officers, and the passing of its ordinances,

Incorporation, acts, ordinances legalized.

Provided; that nothing in this act shall in any manner affect any litigation now pending.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Urbana Monitor and Iowa State Register, newspapers published at Urbana and Des Moines, without expense to the State.

Publication.

Approved April 8, 1896.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, May 1, 1896.

W. M. MCFARLAND,  
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 204.

AN ACT to legalize the ordinance of the city council of the city of Wapello, granting a franchise to W. H. Prescott and his associates as the Wapello Electric Light and Power company, and to legalize the proceedings of said council under and by virtue of said ordinance.

S. F. 347.

Whereas, The city council of the city of Wapello in Louisa county, Iowa, in the year 1896, adopted, passed, and enacted an ordinance entitled "An ordinance granting rights, and privileges to W. H. Prescott, his associates, successors, and assigns hereafter to be organized by him into a corporation called the Wapello Electric Light and Power company in the city of Wapello;" and

Franchise to Prescott.

Passed an ordinance.

Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the proceedings of the city council of said city of Wapello in the submission to said city council, and the adoption, passage, and enactment of said ordinance; and

Doubt.

Whereas, Doubts have likewise arisen as to the legality of the proceedings of, and contracts made by, the city council of Wapello under and by virtue of the aforesaid ordinance; and

Legality in doubt.

Made in good faith. *Whereas, Said ordinance was duly read, adopted, passed, and enacted as provided by law, and the proceedings of, and the contracts made by, said city council were thereafter had and made in good faith by said city council, and on the part of the Wapello Electric Light and Power company; therefore,*

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

Proceedings legalized. SECTION 1. That all proceedings of the city council of the city of Wapello, in Louisa county, Iowa, in relation to the adoption, passage, and enactment of the ordinance granting a franchise unto W. H. Prescott, and the Wapello Electric Light and Power company, are hereby legalized, and shall be held and decreed valid and effectual to the same extent and effect and in all respects as to said proceedings as if the same had fully conformed to the law when the same was had and taken; and all proceedings of the city council of the city of Wapello had and taken subsequent to the adoption, passage, and enactment of said ordinance, and all contracts made by the city council of the city of Wapello under and by virtue of said ordinance shall be held and decreed effectual to the same extent and effect in all respects as if the same had fully conformed to the law when the same were taken and had.

City contracts valid.

*Provided that this act shall in no way affect pending litigation.*

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 in Des Moines, Iowa, and the Louisa County Democrat, a newspaper published in Wapello, Louisa county, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved March 19, 1896.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, March 27, 1896, and the Louisa County Democrat, March 26, 1896.

W. M. MCFARLAND,  
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 205.

H. F. 166. AN ACT to legalize the incorporation of the town of Whitten, Hardin county, Iowa, and to legalize the election of its officers and all acts done and ordinances passed by the council of said town.

*Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the incorporation of the town of Whitten, in Hardin county, Iowa, the election of its officers, and the ordinances passed by the council of the said town; therefore,*

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

Acts legalized.

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of the said town of Whitten in the county of Hardin, and state of Iowa, the