

CHAPTER 366.

THE CITY OF BEDFORD.

H. F. 235.

AN ACT to legalize certain warrants of the city of Bedford, Iowa.

WHEREAS, the city of Bedford, in the county of Taylor, state of Iowa, did heretofore issue warrants evidencing indebtedness of said city in the aggregate amount of thirty-four thousand one hundred ninety-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents, (\$34,198.67), and

WHEREAS, said city by contract did heretofore cause divers streets therein to be improved, and levied assessments against the owners of property benefited thereby in proportion to the benefits conferred, which assessments were not equal to the price which the city had contracted should be paid for said improvements, and

WHEREAS, said city thereby became liable and indebted to the contractors for the deficiency between the contract price for said street improvements, and the total amount of aforesaid assessments, which deficiencies amounted to the sum of twenty-six thousand nine hundred sixteen dollars and ninety-one cents (\$26,916.91), and issued warrants in the sum of twenty-six thousand nine hundred sixteen dollars and ninety-one cents, (\$26,916.91), to evidence said indebtedness, which warrants are a portion of the warrants in the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred ninety-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents, (\$34,198.67) above referred to, and

WHEREAS, said city did heretofore incur indebtedness for purposes authorized by law, other than street improvements, in the amount of seven thousand two hundred eighty-one dollars and seventy-six cents, (\$7,281.76), and issued warrants in the sum of seven thousand two hundred eighty-one dollars and seventy-six cents (\$7,281.76) to evidence said indebtedness, a portion of which warrants, however, represent interest on other warrants which had been presented for payment and remained unpaid for lack of funds, which warrants in the sum of seven thousand two hundred eighty-one dollars and seventy-six cents (\$7,281.76) constitute the balance of the warrants in the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred ninety-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$34,198.67) above referred to, and

WHEREAS, the city of Bedford has been, and now is enjoying the use and benefit of said expenditures for street improvements and other lawful purposes, which were well worth the contract price, and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen concerning the legality of aforesaid warrants in the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred ninety-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$34,198.67), or a portion thereof, on the ground that the expenditures for the said warrants, or a portion thereof, were contracted in excess of the city's authorized annual revenues, and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen concerning the legality of the aforesaid warrants, or a portion thereof, on the ground that the expenditures for which said warrants were issued, or a portion thereof, were not provided for in the city's annual appropriations, and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen concerning the legality of aforesaid warrants, or a portion thereof, on the ground that the indebtedness which said warrants evidence was contracted in excess of the statutory limitation of indebtedness, and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen concerning the legality of a portion of said warrants on the ground that they were issued in lieu of warrants which had been issued in violation of the rule which limits the amount of any one warrant to the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00), and

WHEREAS, said warrants were issued by said city of Bedford on the 7th day of November, 1910, and at various times between the 7th day of November, 1910, and on and including the 13th day of January, 1913, and are the warrants numbered as follows: 1120, 1121, 1128, 1134, 1161, 1165, 1166, 1169, 1174, 1177, 1182 to 1211 inclusive, 1216, 1241, 1246, 1248, 1249, 1271, 1281, 1287, 1293, 1296, 1297, 1302 to 1304 inclusive, 1307, 1308, 1312, 1313, 1316, 1318, 1327, 1329, 1335, 1352 to 1377 inclusive, 1390, 1391, 1398, 1417, 1424, 1438, 1453, 1470, 1489, 1491, 1499, 1512, 1521, 1522, 1527, 1529, 1530, 1539, 1545, 1546, 1550, 1564, 1571, 1574, 1576, 1589, 1590, 1603, 1621, 1632, 1636, 1639, 1652, 1654, 1656, 1659 to 1661 inclusive, 1688, 1695½, 1707, 1709, 1711, 1712, 1717, 1722, 1727 to 1729 inclusive, 1734, 1736, 1741, 1746, 1747, 1750, 1753, 1754, 1756, 1758 to 1761 inclusive, 1761½ to 1774 inclusive, now therefore,

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

SECTION 1. Acts—legalized. That the acts of the corporate authorities of the city of Bedford, in the county of Taylor, state of Iowa, in making expenditures for said city for street improvements and other lawful purposes, and incurring indebtedness thereby and issuing warrants to evidence said indebtedness, in the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred ninety-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$34,198.67), be and the same are hereby legalized as though the law had in all respects been complied with.

SEC. 2. Warrants legalized. That the aforesaid warrants of said city in the sum of thirty-four thousand one hundred ninety-eight dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$34,198.67), issued for street improvements and other lawful purposes, be and the same are hereby legalized and declared to be valid, legal, and subsisting obligations of said city, the same as though the law had in all respects been complied with.

SEC. 3. Pending litigation. That nothing in this act shall effect [affect] any pending litigation.

SEC. 4. In effect. That this act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Register and Leader, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa, and the Bedford Free Press, a newspaper published at Bedford, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved March 18th, 1913.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Register and Leader March 27, 1913 and in the Bedford Free Press April 1, 1913.

W. S. ALLEN,
Secretary of State.