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14 pertaining to his office. He shall receive a salary not less than one-15half that of the principal and not exceeding twelve hundred dollars 16 (\$1200.00) a year, to be fixed by the board of supervisors, except that 17 in counties having a population of ninety thousand or over there shall 18 be three deputies appointed by the recorder, the salary of whom shall 19 be one-half that of the principal, and in case additional deputies or 20 clerks are needed the board of supervisors may make such allowance 21 therefor as they may deem reasonable."

Approved March 28, A. D. 1917.

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CHAPTER 78.

CITY OF IOWA FALLS.

H. F. 378.

AN ACT to legalize an ordinance of the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, granting a franchise to F. J. Cross, his successors and assigns, to acquire, construct, maintain, use and operate a heating plant within the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, and to lay, relay, maintain, use and operate within, along and across the streets, avenues, public places, bridges and alleys of the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, the necessary pipes, conduits, and other construction of said heating plant and its distribution system and also to connect said plant and said distributing system by the necessary construction with the buildings of said city.

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of April, 1914, at a special election held in the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, the qualified electors of said city did by majority vote, authorize and approve a certain ordinance entitled: "An ordinance granting permission to F. J. Cross, his successors or assigns, to acquire, construct, maintain, use and operate a heating plant within the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, and to lay, relay, maintain, use and operate within, along and across the streets, avenues, public places, bridges and alleys of the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, the necessary pipes, conduits, and other construction of said heating plant and its distribution system and also to connect said plant and said distributing system by the necessary construction with the buildings of said city." and

WHEREAS, upon the 21st day of April, 1914, the city council of the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, duly passed and adopted said ordinance, and

WHEREAS, upon the passage of said ordinance by the said city council of the city of Iowa Falls, all of the members of the said city council voted in favor of the passage of said ordinance, and

WHEREAS, at said special election a substantial majority of all of the electors of said city voted in favor of the adoption and passage of said ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Falls Electric Company, the successors and assignee of F. J. Cross, has erected and is now maintaining and operating a heating plant, in said city, and furnishing steam heat to said city, and the inhabitants thereof, all as required by said ordinance, and

WHEREAS, doubts have arisen as to whether or not the technical requirements of the statutes were fully complied with in the passage and adoption of said ordinance, by the city council of the city of Iowa Falls, and in

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the calling and holding of said special election as aforesaid, and in respect to the publication of the notices preliminary to said election, and

WHEREAS, the legality of said ordinance and the franchise therein granted might at some future time be called in question, now therefore,

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

1 SECTION 1. Ordinance legalized. That the ordinance of the in-2 corporated city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, passed by the city council of said city on the 21st day of April, 1914, entitled: "An ordinance granting 3 4 permission to F. J. Cross, his successors or assigns, to acquire, con-5 struct, maintain, use and operate a heating plant within the city of 6 Iowa Falls, Iowa, and to lay, relay, maintain, use and operate within, 7 along and across the streets, avenues, public places, bridges and alleys of the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, the necessary pipes, conduits, and other construction of said heating plant and its distribution system and also 8 9 to connect said plant and said distributing system by the necessary construction with the buildings of said city." be, and is hereby fully 10 11 legalized and declared valid, and of the same force and effect as if said ordinance had in all respects been adopted by the city council of 12 13 the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, and approved and voted upon by the qual-ified electors of the city of Iowa Falls, Iowa, in the formal manner as provided by the laws of this state, at a special election called and held in the exact form and manner provided by the laws of this state there 14 15 16 17 18 for, and as if all the laws in respect thereto had been fully complied 19 with.

1 SEC. 2. **Pending litigation**. Nothing in this act shall in any man-2 ner affect pending litigation.

1 SEC. 3. Publication clause. This act being deemed of immediate 2 importance shall take effect from and after its publication in the Des 3 Moines News, a newspaper published in Des Moines, Iowa, and the 4 Cedar Rapids Republican, a newspaper published at Cedar Rapids, 5 Iowa, said publication to be without expense to the state.

Approved March 28, A. D. 1917.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Des Moines News March 31, 1917, and in the Cedar Rapids Republican April 3, 1917.

W. S. ALLEN. Secretary of State.

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CHAPTER 79.

LEGALIZATION OF CITY AND TOWN PLATS

H. F. 274.

AN ACT to legalize the defective platting of town and city lots, which plats were made prior to the year 1895, and have been of record twenty years or more, and declaring the ownership of premises to have been in proprietors thereof, and giving claimants six months in which to commence action, and barring claims thereafter.

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

1 SECTION 1. Legalization of city and town plats. That in all cases 2 where, prior to January first, 1895, any person, persons or corpora-