CHAPTER 289

TOWN OF DECATUR LAND PATENT

H. F. 353

AN ACT to legalize a contract for sale and authorizing the issuance of a patent to out lot number sixteen (16) in Decatur, Iowa.

WHEREAS, Decatur County, Iowa, for the use and benefit of the school fund of the state of Iowa, acquired title to the following described lands:

Out Lot number sixteen (16), in Decatur, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, it appears that Decatur County, Iowa for the use and benefit of the school fund of the state of Iowa, acquired the above-described premises by a sheriff's deed dated June 10, 1931, based on a foreclosure of a school-fund mortgage dated September 6, 1918; and

WHEREAS, it appears that a contract of sale of the foregoing described premises was executed by the county auditor of Decatur County, Iowa, May 10, 1946, to Ira W. Eaton; and

WHEREAS, it does not appear of record that the county auditor or county board of supervisors of Decatur County complied with the provisions of the law governing the sale of school lands in contracting to sell the aforesaid described property to the said Ira W. Eaton in that there is no showing of record that:

- (a) The county board of supervisors of Decatur County passed a resolution providing for the sale of said property and directing and authorizing the trustees of the township to appraise the value of said property.
- (b) The trustees of the township certified to the said county board of supervisors their appraisement thereof finding and fixing the value of said property and action of the board thereon.
- (c) The county auditor posted notice and advertised said property for sale at public auction to the highest and best bidder therefor as provided by statute.
- (d) The county auditor exposed, offered for sale and struck off said property to the highest and best bidder therefor; and

WHEREAS, the said Ira W. Eaton, his assigns or grantees have been in open, actual, notorious and adverse possession of said lands at all times since the execution of the contract for sale on the 10th day of May, 1946; and

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa has no claims upon said property adverse to those of the said Ira W. Eaton, his assigns or grantees, and it appears that the said Ira W. Eaton, his assigns or grantees are entitled to a patent conveying the foregoing described property to him, his assigns or grantees upon payment of all sums due or to become due under the contract for sale, now, therefore,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. The contract for sale executed by the county auditor of Decatur County, Iowa, to Ira W. Eaton on the 10th day of May, 1946,
- 3 for the sale of the following described property, to wit:

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Out Lot number sixteen (16) in Decatur, Iowa, is hereby legalized, validated and confirmed.

SEC. 2. The auditor of Decatur County, Iowa, is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to issue a certificate of purchase and of final payment, which certificate shall contain reference to this Act, to Ira W. Eaton, his heirs, grantees or assigns for the following described property, to wit:

Out Lot number sixteen (16) in Decatur, Iowa, upon payment of all sums due or to become due upon the contract for sale of said property, and when the same has been transmitted to the secretary of state, the governor and the secretary of state are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to issue a patent to the said Ira W. Eaton, his heirs, grantees or assigns for the use and benefit of the successive owners of said land.

Approved April 5, 1955.

CHAPTER 290

CITY OF LAMONI LAND PATENT

H. F. 354

AN ACT to legalize a contract for sale and authorizing the issuance of a patent to lot seven (7), block nine (9), and a tract of land commencing at the southeast corner of lot one (1), block nine (9), thence running north forty (40) feet, thence west two hundred thirty-eight (238) feet, thence south forty (40) feet, thence east two hundred thirty-eight (238) feet to the place of beginning, all in Central Addition to Lamoni, Iowa.

WHEREAS, Decatur County, Iowa, for the use and benefit of the permanent school fund of the state of Iowa, acquired title to the following described lands:

Lot seven (7), Block nine (9), and a tract of land commencing at the southeast corner of Lot one (1), Block nine (9), thence running north forty (40) feet, thence west two hundred thirty-eight (238) feet, thence south forty (40) feet, thence east two hundred thirty-eight (238) feet to the place of beginning, all in Central Addition to Lamoni, Iowa; and.

WHEREAS, it appears that Decatur County, Iowa, for the use and benefit of the permanent school fund of the state of Iowa acquired the above-described property by quitclaim deeds, one dated May 9, 1936, from Belle Richardson and her husband, Floyd Richardson, and the other dated January 26, 1955, from Lila Woodrum Lowry DeDisse and her husband, Julius C. DeDisse, the said Belle Richardson being the surviving spouse and the said Lila Woodrum Lowry DeDisse being the only heir of George Woodrum, deceased, and prior owner of said property, and the said quitclaim deeds being based upon a school-fund mortgage executed by the said Belle Richardson and Lila Woodrum dated January 22, 1927, and satisfied of record February 4, 1937; and,

WHEREAS, it appears that a contract for sale of the foregoing described property was executed by the county auditor of Decatur County,