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JAMES WRIGHT, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 127.

TO ENABLE TOWNS AND CITIES TO HOLD LANDS FOR PUBLIC USES.

AN ACT to enable incorporated towns and cities to acquire, hold, improve and dispose of lands for public squares, parks, commons and cemeteries.

Towns and cities may purchase lands. Use. SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That any incorporated town or city may purchase lands within or without its corporate limits for the public use as squares, parks, commons or cemeteries, and may enclose, ornament and improve the same.

To have control. SEC. 2. Incorporated towns and cities within or without whose limits lands have been or may be dedicated to the public for the uses mentioned in the preceding Section of this Act shall have entire control of the same, and shall have power in case such lands are deemed unsuitable or insufficient for the purpose for which they were originally or may hereafter be granted to dispose of and convey the same, and conveyances executed in accordance with this Act, shall be held to extinguish all rights and claims of any such town or city to such land existing prior to such conveyance.

May sell. Rights to be conveyed. Land to be reserved for streets. SEC. 3. In the event of such lands aforementioned being so disposed of and conveyed, enough of such land shall be reserved for streets to accommodate adjoining property owners.

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CHAPTER 128.

LEGALIZING ACTS OF NOTARIES PUBLIC.

AN ACT to legalize the official acts of certain Notaries Public.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly* Putnam. *of the State of Iowa,* That the official acts of A. H. Putnam, a Notary Public of Washington county, done and performed by him after the expiration of his commission, to-wit: the 10th day of September, 1862, are hereby declared legal and binding, and as valid as if the said commission had remained in full force.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the official acts Green. of Henry Green, a Notary Public of Jackson county, Iowa, done and performed by him after the expiration of his commission, to-wit: the 10th day of May, 1862, be and they are hereby declared legal and binding, and as valid as if the said commission had remained in full force.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That all the official Eaton. acts of William D. Eaton, formerly a Notary Public of Kossuth county, Iowa, done and performed by him without having recorded his commission, be and they are hereby declared legal and binding, and as valid as if said commission had been duly recorded.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted,* That all the official Batcheller. acts of Ezra Batcheller, a Notary Public of Clinton county, Iowa, done and performed by him after the expiration of his commission, be and they are hereby declared as legal and valid and binding, as if the said commission had been in full force when such acts were performed.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted,* That all the official Ashmore. acts of M. J. Ashmore, Notary Public of Lee county, Iowa, done and performed by him after the expiration