

CHAPTER 90.

LEGALIZING CERTAIN CONVEYANCES IN MARION COUNTY.

APRIL 6. AN ACT to Legalize the Acts of William Van Asch and Koenraad De Yong, of Marion County, Iowa, Attorneys of Johanna J. Zeelt.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, Johanna J. Zeelt formerly was the owner in fee simple of certain tracts of land in Lake Prairie township, Marion county, Iowa, she residing in the kingdom of the Netherlands, Europe, at the time; and

WHEREAS, The said Johanna J. Zeelt executed written power of attorney to William Van Asch and Koenraad De Yong, residing in Marion county, Iowa, authorizing them to sell said tracts of land and convey the same by warranty deed to the several purchasers; and,

WHEREAS, The said William Van Asch and Koenraad De Yong severally have sold the said tracts of land, and have accounted to the said Johanna J. Zeelt for the proceeds thereof, and have executed conveyances therefor, intending *bona fide* to grant and convey unto the said several purchasers an absolute title in fee simple as fully as the same was held by the said Johanna J. Zeelt; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the validity of said conveyances, more particularly in respect to the manner the same were signed by the said William Van Asch and Koenraad De Yong, or by the said William Van Asch, or by the said Koenraad De Yong, and in respect to the form and language of the certificate of acknowledgment thereunto affixed: therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That all of the conveyances made and executed by William Van Asch and Koenraad De Yong, or by William Van Asch, or by Koenraad De Yong, as attorneys or attorney in fact, or as agents or as agent in fact, of the said Johanna J. Zeelt, are hereby declared valid and of full effect, notwithstanding any errors there may exist in the signatures or certificates of acknowledgment thereunto affixed; and that said erroneous signatures and certificates of acknowledgments shall have the same effect in law as though they had been made and affixed in compliance with the provisions of the statutes heretofore enacted; and that the said deeds, whether now recorded or not, shall hereafter be *prima facie* evidence in any of the

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courts of law or equity in the State to prove the conveyance of the land therein described to the purchaser therein named from and by the said Johanna J. Zeelt.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Pella Week Blad and State Register, papers published in Pella and Des Moines, No cost to Iowa; *provided*, such publication be without expense to the State.

Approved April 6, 1868.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in *Pella's Weekblad* April 13, 1868, and in the *Daily State Register* April 14, 1868.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 91.

PLANS FOR NEW STATE HOUSE, AND REPAIRS ON CAPITOL.

AN ACT Authorizing the Census Board to procure Plans and Specifications for a State House, and Making Appropriation for Repairs on the Capitol Building. APRIL 6.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That the Census Board of the State shall constitute a Board of Commissioners for the purposes of this act. Census Board a board of commissioners.

SEC. 2. Said board shall advertise for at least twenty days in two daily newspapers of this State, and in one newspaper in each of the cities of Chicago, New York, and Philadelphia, for plans and specifications for a State capital, to be erected on the Capitol Square, at the capitol of the State, to be built of the most fit and durable material, and to be constructed fire-proof. They are hereby authorized to offer in such proposition as they deem best, for the three most approved plans and specifications, of those that shall be submitted to them: Board to advertise for plans, &c., for new State House. Fire-proof. Estimates to be based on cost of:

- 1st. Plans based on a cost of one million dollars. \$1,000,000;
 - 2d. Plans based on a cost of one and one-half million dollars. \$1,500,000;
 - 3d. Plans based on a cost of two million dollars: \$2,000,000.
- and such plans and specifications shall become the property of the State.