

it fixing the number and boundaries of the wards, and the election board at the first election of officers required the electors to vote by wards, as described in the petition; and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen whether said election was in strict conformity with law; therefore, Doubts of legality

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the organization of said city as a city of the second-class, and the election of all the officers elected at said election, and all the acts of said officers, and ordinances passed by the board of trustees elected at said election, be and the same are hereby declared as legal and valid, to all intents and purposes, as fully and completely as if all the proceedings for the organization of said city, and the election of said officers, had in all respects been in strict compliance with law. Organization, election, acts, and ordinances legalized.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed by the General Assembly of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Reporter and Waterloo Courier, newspapers published at Waterloo, Iowa. Taking effect.

Approved, March 30, 1870.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Reporter*, April 6th, and in the *Waterloo Courier*, April 7th, 1870.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 52.

POLK COUNTY SWAMP-INDEMNITY LANDS.

AN ACT to Legalize the Sale of certain Lands by Polk County.

MARCH 40.

WHEREAS, On the 24th day of December, 1868, the county of Polk, by its board of supervisors, by deed of that date, conveyed to Dwight N. Lathrop certain lands, belonging to said county, and situate in the counties of Webster and Calhoun, in consideration of certain money, which has been fully paid and receipt thereof acknowledged by said county of Polk, a description of which lands is given in said deed as recorded with the land records of said counties where the same are situated; therefore, Preamble.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That the conveyance of said lands by the county of Polk, to said Dwight N. Lathrop, is hereby ratified and confirmed, and made valid in said grantee, as fully and perfectly as if all the requisite formalities of law prescribed therefor, had been duly observed, and followed in respect thereto.

Approved, March 30, 1870.

CHAPTER 53.

TOWN OF AUBURN, FAYETTE COUNTY.

MARCH 30. AN ACT to Legalize the Plat of the Town of Auburn, in Fayette county, Iowa, and to Legalize all Conveyances of Lots heretofore made by the Number of Lots and Blocks as now specified in said Plat.

WHEREAS, The original plat of the town of Auburn, in Fayette county, Iowa, which was made several years since, is lost, and was never recorded; and

WHEREAS, A new plat of said town in all respects as near as possible like the old one has been made, and was filed in the recorder's office of said county on the 4th day of January, 1870; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That the survey and plat of the town of Auburn in Fayette county, and State of Iowa, made and completed in December, 1869, by H. J. Ingersoll, county surveyor, by his deputy, S. P. Crosby, and filed for record in the office of the recorder of said county, on the 4th of January, 1870, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and recorded in plat-book No. 1, page 49, be and the same is hereby legalized and declared to be legal and binding upon all parties concerned, and that said plat and the record thereof are hereby legalized and declared to be a legal plat and record, the same as if said survey, plat, and record had been made in every particular as required by law.

SEC. 2. That all conveyances heretofore made of any lots in said town by the number of lots and blocks as shown on said plat, are hereby legalized and declared legal and binding upon the parties as if a legal plat like the one mentioned and described in section one of this act had