

1873, and the center building by the first day of December following.

In force when. SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, and Iowa State Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved, March 19th, 1872.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa, State Leader*, March 20, and in the *Daily Iowa State Register*, March 22, 1872.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*

CH. 48.] CHAPTER XXXI. [H. F. 269.

IN RELATION TO PELLA, MARION COUNTY.

MARCH 20. AN ACT to Legalize the Annexation of Territory to the city of Pella, Iowa; the Abandonment by said city of its special Charter; and of other Acts of the Authorities of said City.

Preamble: WHEREAS, The circuit court of Marion county, Iowa, upon petition presented, after notice given thereof, to said court at the July term, 1870, thereof, for the annexation to the city of Pella, Marion county, Iowa, of adjacent territory in said county, known and described as South Pella, South-east Pella, and Overkamp's Railroad Addition, did order and decree such annexation for incorporation purposes, subject to a vote of the people of said city; and

Annexation of territory; WHEREAS, At a special election held in said city on the 3d day of October, 1870, pursuant to said order and decree, and to a resolution passed by the council of said city, and notice thereof given, said annexation was unanimously voted by the electors of said city, whereupon the council of said city declared said annexation complete, and organized said annexed territory as the fourth ward of said city, and ordered an election of two trustees in said ward; and

WHEREAS, All the papers pertaining to said proceedings were duly recorded in the offices of the recorder of Marion county, Iowa, and of the Secretary of the State; and

WHEREAS, Subsequently, on the 17th day of October, 1870, pursuant to a resolution passed by the council of

said city, and notice thereof given, an election was held to submit to the qualified electors of said city the question of abandoning the special charter of said city, and organize[ing] under the general incorporation laws of the State; and, a majority of said voters having voted in favor thereof, the city council of said city declared said special charter abandoned, and the city organized under the general incorporation laws of the State; and

abandonment of special charter,

WHEREAS, On the 13th day of February, 1871, the council of said city, by lot, divided the trustees of said city then in office into two classes, and resolved that one-half of said number should hold over till the regular election in March, 1872, and ordered the election of one trustee from each ward of said city on the 8th day of March, 1871; and

half of former trustees holding over,

WHEREAS, Said election on said 8th day of March, 1871, was not held in the different wards of said city, but in one general plan[ce] of election, and the registry list of the voters of said city had not been previously posted up in the several wards thereof, but only in a single place; and

first election and registry at one place,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality and sufficiency of the notice given in the proceedings for the annexation to said city of the territory hereinbefore described, and doubts existing also as to the legality of other parts of the proceedings therein; and

WHEREAS, Doubts also exist as to the legality of the proceedings for the abandonment of the special charter of said city, and the organization of the same under the general incorporation laws of the State; and

WHEREAS, Doubts exist as to the legality of the holding over of one-half of the number of trustees of said city, and the division of the same into two classes, and as to the election of officers subsequently on the said 8th day of March, 1871, as hereinbefore recited; therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the annexation to said city of Pella, Marion county, Iowa, of the territory known and designated as South Pella, South-east Pella, and Overkamp's Railroad Addition, and all the proceedings therein, the abandonment by said city of its special charter, and the organization of said city under the general incorporation laws of the State, and the election of officers in said city on the 8th day of March, 1871, and all the proceedings of the authorities of said city in the premises, be and the same are hereby legalized and confirmed, to all intents and purposes, as fully and effectually as if said acts, proceed ngs, and elections had been, each and every

And other proceedings at re-organization,

legalized.

one of them, in every respect, proper and legal as provided by law.

Acts of officers
and council legal-
ized.

SEC. 2. That all acts of any and all of the officers of said city, and all ordinances, orders, and resolutions passed by the council thereof during and subsequent to the proceedings hereinbefore enumerated and described, be and the same are hereby declared legal, valid, and binding, in all respects, the same as though each and every one of said acts, proceedings, and elections had been in strict conformity with the provisions of the law.

Approved, March 20th, 1872.

CH. 49] CHAPTER XXXII. [H. F. 212.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL-DISTRICT NUMBER ONE, BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP, POLK COUNTY.

MARCH 20.

AN ACT Legalizing the formation of Independent School-District No. 1, in Bloomfield township, Polk County, State of Iowa.

Formation, and
acts of electors,
&c., of district,
legalized.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa,* That the formation of Independent School-District No. 1, of Bloomfield township, Polk county, Iowa, as the same has existed since the year 1867, be and the same is hereby legalized; and all and singular the acts of the electors and township officers, and school officers properly relating to the organization and establishment of said independent school-district, be, and the same are hereby, legalized.

No acts invalid.

SEC. 2. That no acts of the said independent school-district or its officers shall be held invalid because of any defect in the manner of the organization of said independent district.

In force when.

SEC. 3. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in *The Review and Leader*, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa, without expense to the State.

Approved March 20th, 1872.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Daily State Leader*, March 22, and in *The Iowa Review*, March 23, 1872.

ED WRIGHT, *Secretary of State.*