This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall To take effect. 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 14, 1876.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, March 16, and in the Iowa State Leader, March 16, 1876. JOSIAH T. YOUNG, Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER 92.

## LEGALIZING THE CITY OF OSKALOOSA.

AN ACT to Legalize the Organization of the City of Oskaloosa, as a H. F. 290. City of the Second Class, and to Legalize the Annexation thereto of Certain Territory.

Whereas, The city of Oskaloosa, in Mahaska county, Iowa, Preamble. held an election on the 14th day of January 1864 for the purpose of abandoning the special charter of said city, and to organize as a city of the second class under the provisions of chapter 51 of the revision of 1860 and amendments thereto; and

WHEREAS, The records of the proceedings connected with said Records lost abandonment and organization have been lost or destroyed; and

Whereas, Said city has been acting and recognized as a city of the second class since said proceedings were had; and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the regularity of said

proceedings; and Whereas, The inhabitants of certain territory in said county Annexation. adjoining said city petitioned the circuit court of said county for the purpose of annexing said territory to said city under the pro-

visions of chapter 10, title IV of the Code; and

Whereas, Commissioners were appointed by said court, and an election held on said territory on the 11th day of December, 1874, at which a large majority of the qualified electors residing upon said territory voted in favor of annexing said territory to said city, and other proceedings were had as provided by said chapter of the Code; and

Whereas, Doubts have arisen as to the regularity of the proceedings connected with the annexation of said territory and as to whether the same constitutes a part of said city as a city of the

second class; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That the organization of the city of Oskaloosa in Legalizing Mahaska county, Iowa, as a city of the second class, and the annexation thereto of said territory are hereby legalized and rendered as valid and binding to all intents and purposes, as if all the proceedings in regard thereto had been conducted in strict accordance with law.

Approved March 14, 1876.