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may be enforced the same as if no such annexation had taken place: *And provided further*, That a city or town separated from another city or town by an intervening city, town, or territory, may be annexed to such city or town in the manner herein before provided, but such annexation shall not be consummated and completed until such intervening city, town, or territory is also annexed. Any proceedings which may have been commenced under said sections as amended under the provisions of this act and prior to the taking effect of this act for the annexation of a city or town, are hereby declared valid and legal, and such proceedings may be completed in accordance with said sections and the provisions of this act.

Publication.

SEC. 3. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its publication in the Iowa State Register, and Iowa State Leader, papers published at Des Moines, Iowa, the provisions of section 33 of the Code, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Approved, February 11, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register*, and *Iowa State Leader*, February 12, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State*.

CHAPTER 4.

TOWN OF WILTON.

H. F. 71.

AN ACT to Legalize the Incorporation, Ordinances, and Acts of the Officers of the Town of Wilton, in the county of Muscatine.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The town of Wilton, in the county of Muscatine, was incorporated in the year 1857, under the provisions of the Code of 1851, a charter adopted in due form, which was immediately filed with the county judge of Muscatine county, who failed to make any record of the preliminary measures taken by the voters of said town, and neglected to record the charter as was provided by law ; and

WHEREAS, The legal voters of said town have continuously since the adoption of said charter in 1857, elected officers as provided thereby, and have by said officers continuously conducted the municipal affairs of said town as though the town had been legally incorporated, and the officers of said town have been and now are acting under said charter, and such amendments as have from time to time been made, and under such ordinances as have been passed by the acting authorities of said town, among which acts said officers, in the year 1862, procured the original charter to be recorded by the then county judge on the proper records of municipal incorporations. And recently doubts having been raised as to the legality of said original in-

corporation and subsequent recording of said charter and the ordinances passed thereunder; therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the original incorporation of the town of Wilton, in Muscatine county, with all amendments and changes made in the charter of said town, all ordinances and acts of said corporation, and the officers acting by virtue of authority conferred thereby, be and the same are hereby legalized, and to have the same force and effect as if said original incorporation had been in strict compliance with the law then in force. Incorporation and acts of officers thereunder legalized.

SEC. 2. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and Wilton Review, provided such publication shall not be at the expense of the state. Publication.

Approved, February 12, 1878.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the *Iowa State Register*, February 16, and in the *Wilton Review*, February 21, 1878.

JOSIAH T. YOUNG, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 5.

OLE HULVERSON, N. P.

AN ACT to Legalize the Official Acts as Notary Public of Ole Hulver-son, of Clayton county. S. F. 130.

WHEREAS, Ole Hulverson, born in Norway, believing himself to have been a citizen of the United States by virtue of the naturalization of his father, held and exercised the office of notary public in and for Clayton county, Iowa, under commissions from the governor of said State, during the period between October 16th, 1857, and September 20th, 1863; and Preamble.

WHEREAS, The evidence of said naturalization has been lost and doubts exist as to the validity of the official acts of said Hulverson; therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That all official acts of the said Ole Hulverson as notary public in and for Clayton county, during the period between October 16, 1857, and September 20, 1863, be and the same are hereby legalized and declared valid and binding in all respects, as fully to all intents and purposes as if he had been during the period aforesaid a lawful citizen of the United States and of the State of Iowa, and eligible to the said office. Official acts legalized.

Approved, February 12, 1878.