

state are hereby legalized and declared valid, notwithstanding the irregularities in reading the same, or other irregularities that may have occurred in the passage of the said acts and ordinances; provided, however, that nothing in this act shall in any manner affect any pending litigation.

Publication.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in full force and effect after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Minburn Star, newspapers published respectively in Des Moines and Minburn, Iowa. such publication to be without expense to the state.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register March 10, 1896.

W. M. MCFARLAND,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 182.

H. F. 101.

AN ACT to legalize the incorporation and the acts of the members and the trustees of the Elk Creek Norwegian Lutheran Congregation of Worth county, Iowa.

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of the Elk Creek Norwegian Lutheran Congregation of Worth county, Iowa; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the authority of said congregation to increase the number of its trustees from three (3) to five (5) and changing the dates of their annual meeting from the first Monday in October to the month of December; and,

No provisions made for adoption of rules, etc.

WHEREAS, No provision has been made in their original articles of incorporation providing for the adoption of rules or by-laws for the government of said congregation, therefore,

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

Acts of board legalized.

That the original incorporation of the said Elk Creek Norwegian Lutheran Congregation in Worth county, Iowa, and the actions of its members and board of trustees are hereby declared to be legal and valid in all respects and to the same extent as though the original incorporators had conformed to all the legal requirements and no change had been made in the number of the trustees or the dates of holding annual meetings.

Approved Mar 13 1896

CHAPTER 183.

H. F. 209.

AN ACT to legalize the incorporation of the town of Earlham, Iowa, and subsequent actions of the councils of said town.

Illegal.

WHEREAS, The incorporation and plotting of the town of Earlham, Iowa, was not approved by the court as provided by law; and,

WHEREAS, The question is in doubt as to whether said **Doubts.** town had a sufficient number of inhabitants at the time of its incorporation to make it legally eligible to incorporation; and

WHEREAS, Many of the ordinances of said town were not certified to as having been published as provided by law; and

WHEREAS, Many of the ordinances were irregularly **Irregular.** and illegally passed; therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of said town of **All acts and ordinances legalized.** Earlham, and all acts and ordinances of the councils of said town since the date of said incorporation are hereby ratified, confirmed and legalized, and that the same be held valid and binding to the same extent as if the incorporation and acts of the councils of said town had been perfected and passed as required by law.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate impor- **Publication.** tance will be in full force and effect on and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published in Des Moines, Iowa, and the Earlham Echo, a newspaper published at Earlham, Iowa.

Approved Mar 13 1896

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, March 18, 1896

W. M. MCFARLAND,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 184.

AN ACT to legalize the incorporation of the town of Gray, Audubon county, Iowa; the election of its officers; and all official acts done and ordinances passed by the council of said town, not in contra- **H. F. 96.** vention of the laws of the state of Iowa.

WHEREAS, **Doubts** have arisen as to the legality of the **Illegal.** incorporation of the town of Gray, Audubon county, Iowa; the election of its officers, and the official acts done, and the ordinances passed by the council of said town; therefore,

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

SECTION 1. That the incorporation of the town of **All acts made legal and binding.** Gray, Audubon county, Iowa, the election of its officers, and all the official acts done, and the ordinances passed by the council of said town, not in contravention of the laws of the state of Iowa, are hereby legalized, and the same are hereby declared to be valid and binding, the same as though the law had in all respects been strictly complied with, in the incorporation of said town, the election of its officers, the official acts done, and the ordinances passed. Provided, however, that nothing in this act shall in any manner affect any pending litigation.