

acts done under and by virtue of said ordinances by the officers of said town, not in contravention with the laws of the state of Iowa, be and the same are hereby legalized and declared to be legal, valid and binding to the same extent and with the same force as though the laws had in all respects been fully and strictly complied with, in the passage, adoption, recording and authentication of said ordinances.

SEC. 2. Ordinances with defective titles. That all ordinances of the incorporated town of Denver, in Bremer county, Iowa, in which the subject of each ordinance is not clearly expressed in its title, are hereby legalized, and declared to be legal, valid and binding to the same extent and with the same force as though the subject of each ordinance was clearly and fully expressed in its title.

SEC. 3. Acts of F. C. Richmann legalized. That all acts, ordinances, doings, and transactions, of every name, nature, kind and description, of the incorporated town of Denver, Bremer county, Iowa, performed, executed and acted upon while F. C. Richmann was clerk, or acting as clerk, of the said town of Denver, while he was a non-resident of said town, and all acts, doings and transactions of the said F. C. Richmann while he was clerk, or acting, performing and doing the duty and services as a clerk of said town of Denver while he was a non-resident of said town of Denver, not in contravention with the laws of the state of Iowa, be and the same are hereby legalized and declared to be legal, valid and binding to the same extent and with the same force as though the laws had been in all respects strictly complied with and the said F. C. Richmann had at all times been a resident of the incorporated town of Denver, Iowa, and legally acting and qualified as clerk of the said incorporated town of Denver, Bremer county, Iowa.

SEC. 4. Pending litigation. Nothing herein contained shall affect any litigation now pending.

SEC. 5. In effect. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Waverly Republican, newspapers published at Des Moines and Waverly, Iowa, without expense to the state.

Approved April 11, 1902.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act was published in the Iowa State Register, April 18, 1902, and in the Waverly Republican, April 24, 1902.

W. B. MARTIN,
Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 249.

INSTRUMENTS IN WRITING DEFECTIVELY ACKNOWLEDGED.

S. F. 188.

AN ACT to legalize certain instruments in writing which were defectively acknowledged.

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

SECTION 1. Defective acknowledgments legalized. That the acknowledgments of all deeds, mortgages or other instruments in writing, taken and certified previous to the passage of this act, and which have been duly recorded in the proper counties in this state, and which are defective only in the form of the certificate of the officer taking the same, or by reason of such acknowledgment having been made before an official not qualified to take the same, but who was at the time qualified to take acknowledgments generally, be and are hereby declared to be as legal and valid for all purposes as if the form of the certificate had been made in accordance with law, and the official taking such acknowledgments duly qualified therefor.

Approved April 12, 1902.