

said mortgage was foreclosed and bid in by said Osceola county, dated June 19, 1888, instead of having been conveyed to the state of Iowa as by law provided, and

WHEREAS, Said county sold the said land to Edgar Baker by warranty deed, dated April 4, 1892, and recorded in book 12, page 7, of the records of Osceola county, Iowa, and

WHEREAS, The said Osceola county has accounted to the state of Iowa for the proceeds of said sale. Therefore

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

**SECTION 1. Deed legalized.** That the said deed from Osceola county, Iowa, to Edgar Baker for lots two, three and four in section ten in township one hundred north, of range thirty-nine west of the 5th P. M. of Iowa, be and the same is declared valid and passes to the said Edgar Baker, his heirs, executors or assigns, all the right, title and interest of the said state of Iowa therein.

Approved April 1, A. D. 1909.

## CHAPTER 275.

### SALE OF CERTAIN SCHOOL LANDS IN SIOUX COUNTY.

H. F. 145.

AN ACT to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of Sioux county, Iowa, relating to the sale of school lands in section twelve (12) township ninety-five (95) north of range forty-eight (48) west of the fifth (5th) principal meridian, Sioux county, Iowa, and to authorize the governor to issue a patent therefor to John H. Hutchinson.

WHEREAS, On the 15th day of November, 1889, Maggie J. Ross and husband gave to Sioux county, Iowa, a mortgage on the south one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the southwest one-fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of section twelve (12) township ninety-five (95) north of range forty-eight (48) west of the fifth (5th) principal meridian, Sioux county, Iowa, containing eighty (80) acres more or less according to the government survey, to secure a loan of school funds, and

WHEREAS, On January 2nd, 1892, Maggie J. Ross and husband gave to T. H. Dunham a warranty deed for said land, and

WHEREAS, On April 3, 1893, T. H. Dunham and wife gave to C. W. Jackson a warranty deed for said land, and

WHEREAS, On November 19, 1898, the said land was sold at sheriff's sale under foreclosure proceedings in the district court of Sioux county, Iowa, of the said mortgage given by Maggie J. Ross and husband to Sioux county, Iowa, and the said land was bid in by said Sioux county, Iowa, and

WHEREAS, On March 6, 1900, the sheriff of Sioux county, Iowa, gave to Sioux county, Iowa, a sheriff's deed for said land, and

WHEREAS, On December 27, 1900, Sioux county, Iowa, by Wm. Dealy, chairman of the board of supervisors, entered into a written contract with John Hutchinson for the sale of said land without appraisal as provided for by law, but said board acting in good faith in the premises, and

WHEREAS, The said John Hutchinson thereupon took possession of said property, and ever since has held and possessed the same, cultivating it and improving it, and paying taxes thereon, and

WHEREAS, It appears that the said John Hutchinson has paid the amount due on said contract in full, and

WHEREAS, On the 18th day of January, 1909, Sioux county, Iowa, by Wm. Dealy, chairman of the board of supervisors, gave to John H. Hutchinson a quit claim deed to said land, and

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the action of the board of supervisors being entirely legal in view of the provisions for appraisement and sale, now therefore,

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

SECTION 1. **Sale and conveyance legalized.** That the action of the board of supervisors of Sioux county, Iowa, in selling and conveying to the said John H. Hutchinson, the south one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the southwest one-fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of section twelve (12), township ninety-five (95) north, range forty-eight (48) west, of the fifth (5th) principal meridian, Sioux county, Iowa, containing eighty (80) acres more or less according to the government survey, be and the same is hereby legalized and declared to be legal, valid and binding and to have vested in the said John H. Hutchinson a good, valid and fee simple title to the said real estate, to the same extent as though the law as to the sale of school lands had been in all respects, by the said board of supervisors, fully and strictly complied with.

SEC. 2. **Patent.** That the governor of the state of Iowa be and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute to John H. Hutchinson a patent, conveying to him the south one-half ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ) of the southwest one-fourth ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of section twelve (12), township ninety-five (95) north, range forty-eight (48) west, of the fifth (5th) principal meridian, Sioux county Iowa, containing eighty (80) acres more or less according to the government survey.

Approved February 24, A. D. 1909.

## CHAPTER 276.

### THE CITY OF AMES.

S. F. 401.

AN ACT to legalize the acts of the city council of the city of Ames, Iowa, in contracting an indebtedness during the five years immediately preceding the passage of this act in excess of the statutory limit of one and one fourth per cent for the erecting, maintaining and operating an electric light and power plant and water works system and other purposes and not exceeding the five per cent constitutional limit of the actual value of the taxable property in said city.

WHEREAS, The city council of Ames, Iowa, has during the last five years contracted indebtedness for the erecting, maintaining and operating a water works system and an electric light and power plant and other purposes in excess of the statutory limit of one and one-fourth per cent without submitting such question to the qualified electors of such city at a general or special election; and,

WHEREAS, The said excess indebtedness does not exceed the five per cent constitutional limit; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the legality of such indebtedness, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. **Acts legalized.** That the acts of the city council of Ames, Iowa, during the five years immediately preceding the passage of this act, in contracting indebtedness over and above the statutory limit of one and one-fourth per cent but within the constitutional provision of five per cent for