

WHEREAS, the said W. P. Umpress and Madge Umpress, their assigns or grantees, have been in open, actual, notorious and adverse possession of said lands at all times since the execution of the contract for sale on the 10th day of April, 1947; and

WHEREAS, the state of Iowa has no claims upon said property adverse to those of the said W. P. Umpress and Madge Umpress, their assigns or grantees, and it appears that the said W. P. Umpress and Madge Umpress, their assigns or grantees, are entitled to a patent conveying the foregoing described property to them, their assigns or grantees, upon payment of all sums due or to become due under the contract for sale; now therefore,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. The contract for sale executed by the county auditor
2 of Decatur County, Iowa, to W. P. Umpress and Madge Umpress on
3 the 10th day of April, 1947, for the sale of the following described
4 property, to wit: Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the Northeast
5 Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$), Section Nineteen (19), Township Sixty-nine North
6 (69N), Range Twenty-five (25), West of the Fifth P.M., in Decatur
7 County, Iowa, is hereby legalized, validated and confirmed.

1 SEC. 2. The auditor of Decatur County, Iowa, is hereby authorized,
2 empowered and directed to issue a certificate of purchase, which cer-
3 tificate shall contain reference to this Act, to W. P. Umpress and
4 Madge Umpress, their heirs, grantees or assigns, for the following
5 described property, to wit: Northeast Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the North-
6 east Quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$), Section Nineteen (19), Township Sixty-nine
7 North (69N), Range Twenty-five (25), West of the Fifth P.M., in
8 Decatur County, Iowa, upon payment of all sums due or to become due
9 upon the contract for sale of said property, and when the same has
10 been transmitted to the secretary of state, the governor and the sec-
11 retary of state of Iowa are hereby authorized, empowered and directed
12 to issue a patent to the said W. P. Umpress and Madge Umpress, their
13 heirs, grantees or assigns, for the use and benefit of the successive
14 owners of said land.

Approved April 26, 1957.

CHAPTER 282

STORY COUNTY LAND PATENT

H. F. 420

AN ACT to legalize the purchase of certain land in Story county, Iowa, by the state board of regents and its transfer to the United States of America and to validate and confirm the execution of a patent therefor.

WHEREAS, by resolution the state board of regents on the 27th day of July, 1956, deeming the acquisition a proper use, directed the purchase by contract for the sum of eighty-six thousand five hundred and seventy dollars (\$86,570.00) from M. D. Textrum and Janice Textrum, husband and wife, and L. C. Textrum and Ena Textrum, husband and wife, for the use and benefit of the state college of agriculture and mechanic arts the following described land:

The northwest fractional quarter (NW FR. $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Thirty-one (31), Township Eighty-four North (84N), Range Twenty-three (23), West of the Fifth (5th) P.M., being one hundred eighty-four point nineteen (184.19) acres, more or less; and

WHEREAS, the executive council of the state of Iowa did in meeting assembled on the 8th day of August, 1956, approve by resolution the foregoing described contract entered into on the 1st day of August, 1956, subject to the approval of the attorney general; and

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of August, 1956, the attorney general approved the said contract subject only to the proper acknowledgment being attached thereto and the contract being properly recorded; and

WHEREAS, subsequent thereto said contract was acknowledged and recorded in the books of Story County, Iowa, on the 11th day of August, 1956; and

WHEREAS, on the 27th day of July, 1956, by resolution the state board of regents, deeming the acquisition a proper use, directed the purchase by contract from Otto I. Ronningen and Grace Ronningen, husband and wife, for the sum of sixty-three thousand two hundred six dollars (\$63,206.00), for the use and benefit of the state college of agriculture and mechanic arts, the following described land:

The south fractional half (S FR. $\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the northwest fractional quarter (NW FR. $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) except the north twenty-seven point fifty-six (27.56) acres thereof, and the south seventeen point forty-four (17.44) acres of the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$), all of said land being a part of and located in Section Thirty (30), Township Eighty-four North (84N), Range Twenty-three (23), West of the Fifth (5th) P.M., situated in Story County, Iowa, being one hundred thirty-four point forty-eight (134.48) acres, more or less; and

WHEREAS, the executive council of the state of Iowa did in meeting assembled on the 8th day of August, 1956, approve by resolution the foregoing described contract entered into on the 1st day of August, 1956, subject to the approval of the attorney general; and

WHEREAS, on the 8th day of August, 1956, the attorney general approved the said contract subject only to the proper acknowledgment being attached thereto and the contract being properly recorded; and

WHEREAS, subsequent thereto said contract was acknowledged and recorded in the books of Story County, Iowa, on the 11th day of August, 1956; and

WHEREAS, the state board of regents at a meeting held on September 21, 1956, found that the foregoing described land purchased by contract is not necessary for the use and benefit and proper administration of the state college of agriculture and mechanic arts or any other institution under the jurisdiction of the state board of regents, and further found that said land is suitable for the construction and erection thereon of a federal animal disease laboratory and the erection of said building would be of vast importance to the people of the state of Iowa and be beneficial to their well-being and prosperity, and on the 12th day of December, 1956, the executive coun-

cil in meeting assembled approved the foregoing resolution of the state board of regents adopted on September 21, 1956; and

WHEREAS, the foregoing described contracts have now been fully performed and title to the land described and purchased has vested in the state of Iowa for the use and benefit of the state college of agriculture and mechanic arts; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with law and the authority vested thereby, patents to the following described lands:

The northwest fractional quarter (NW FR. $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Thirty-one (31), Township Eighty-four North (84N), Range Twenty-three (23), West of the Fifth (5th) P.M., being one hundred eighty-four point nineteen (184.19) acres, more or less; and the south fractional half (S FR. $\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the northwest fractional quarter (NW FR. $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) except the north twenty-seven point fifty-six (27.56) acres thereof, and the south seventeen point forty-four (17.44) acres of the northeast quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the Southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$), all of said land being a part of and located in Section Thirty (30), Township Eighty-four North (84N), Range twenty-three (23), West of the Fifth (5th) P.M., situated in Story County, Iowa, being one hundred thirty-four point forty-eight (134.48) acres, more or less, have been executed by the governor of Iowa and the secretary of state and delivered to the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, in order to allay such doubts as may have arisen or may arise concerning the validity and legal sufficiency of the proceedings had and of the actions of the state board of regents and the executive council heretofore described and to the authority of the named agencies to transfer the said lands and to the execution and delivery of the patents heretofore described, it is deemed necessary and advisable to put such doubts and all others concerning them forever at rest; now, therefore,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. The patents executed and delivered by the governor of
2 Iowa and the secretary of state conveying the following described
3 lands to the United States of America:

4 The northwest fractional quarter (NW FR. $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section Thirty-
5 one (31), Township Eighty-four North (84N), Range Twenty-three
6 (23), West of the Fifth (5th) P.M., being one hundred eighty-four
7 point nineteen (184.19) acres, more or less; and the south fractional
8 half (S. FR. $\frac{1}{2}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$) and the northwest
9 fractional quarter (NW FR. $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$)
10 except the north twenty-seven point fifty-six (27.56) acres thereof,
11 and the south seventeen point forty-four (17.44) acres of the north-
12 east quarter (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) of the southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$), all of said
13 land being a part of and located in Section Thirty (30), Township
14 Eighty-four North (84N), Range Twenty-three (23), West of the
15 Fifth (5th) P.M., situated in Story County, Iowa, being one hundred
16 thirty-four point forty-eight (134.48) acres, more or less, be and are
17 hereby legalized, validated and confirmed, and the proceedings and
18 actions of the state board of regents and the executive council includ-
19 ing the power to transfer this land all heretofore described be and are
20 likewise legalized, validated and confirmed.

- 1 SEC. 2. This Act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall
 2 take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Jeffer-
 3 son Bee, a newspaper published in Jefferson, Iowa, and in the Algona
 4 Upper Des Moines, a newspaper published in Algona, Iowa.

Approved April 19, 1957.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, House File 420, was published in the Jefferson Bee, Jefferson, Iowa, April 23, 1957, and in the Algona Upper Des Moines, Algona, Iowa, April 25, 1957.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, *Secretary of State.*

CHAPTER 283

GRAND JUNCTION CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

H. F. 560

AN ACT to validate transfers of cemetery lots by the Grand Junction Cemetery Association of Greene county.

WHEREAS, the Grand Junction Cemetery Association was organized in the year 1874 and has thereafter been in continuous existence; and

WHEREAS, such association on September 29, 1874, became the record owner of the Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of Section five (5) Township eighty-three (83), Range twenty-nine (29) Greene County, Iowa, and constituted a cemetery thereon, laid out in blocks and lots and has continuously maintained such cemetery; and

WHEREAS, since its organization said association by its president and secretary over their respective signatures have issued deeds of transfer of title to cemetery lots or portions thereof; and

WHEREAS, the records of said association have become lost or destroyed and there is in existence no by-law or other record showing authority to execute conveyances of the property of the association and by reason of the foregoing recitals question has arisen as to the validity of the transfers of such cemetery lots and the titles thereto; now therefore,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 SECTION 1. That any and all of the deeds and transfers of title
 2 heretofore made on behalf and in the name of the Grand Junction
 3 Cemetery Association to lots in the cemetery located on the Southwest
 4 quarter of the Southwest quarter (SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$) of section five (5)
 5 Township eighty-three (83), Range twenty-nine (29), Greene County,
 6 Iowa, are hereby validated and legalized.

Approved April 30, 1957.