

SPECIAL LAWS
OF
MINNESOTA.

PASSED AND APPROVED AT THE EIGHTH SESSION OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE,
COMMENCING JANUARY SECOND; ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
SIXTY-SIX, AND TERMINATING MARCH SECOND, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT
HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX.

CHAPTER I.

An Act to legalize and confirm the organization, acts and proceedings of the First Division of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad Company, and in relation to the character and powers of said Company. February 6, 1866.

- SECTION 1. Holders of preferred stock of the First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, authorized to use all privileges, etc., of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad on that portion of the line extending from St. Paul to Watab, in Benton County, and from St. Anthony to Big Stone Lake.
- 2 Holders of preferred and special stock to take the name and style of the "First Division of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad Company."
 3. Confirms, sanctions and legalizes the acts of holders of said preferred stock and special stock.
 4. When act to take effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That the holders of the preferred stock and special stock issued by the Saint Paul and Pacific

Holders of preferred and special stock to have certain privileges.

Railroad Company, under the authority of an act of the Legislature of the State of Minnesota, approved on the sixth day of February, A. D. 1864, entitled "An act to amend the charter of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad Company," and as recited in the agreement made on the same day, under said act, between the said company and E. B. Litchfield, of which agreement a copy, with a report of the organization thereunder, was filed in the office of the Secretary of State on the fourth day of May, A. D. 1864, under and pursuant to an act of the said Legislature, approved on the fourth day of March, A. D. 1864, entitled "An act authorizing the registry of certain railroad organizations, with the agreements under which the organizations were made"—be and they are hereby authorized to use, possess, enjoy and exercise all the rights, benefits, privileges, property, franchises, powers and interests of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad Company as a body corporate, belonging or pertaining to that portion of the lines or road of said company which extends from St. Paul, in the county of Ramsey, to Watab, in the county of Benton, including all the lands granted by Congress to aid in the construction of the road of said company, and which belong or pertain to such portion of said road, and all the rights, benefits, privileges, property, franchises, powers and interests of the said company as a body corporate as aforesaid, belonging or pertaining to that portion of the lines or road of said company which extends from Saint Anthony to a point between the foot of Big Stone Lake and the mouth of the Sioux Wood river, including all the lands granted by Congress to aid in the construction of that portion of the lines or road of said company last above mentioned, subject only to the provisions of said agreement; and subject to all the conditions and limitations respecting the construction and completion of said road, or of any part thereof, imposed by existing laws. *Provided*: That nothing in said agreement or the acts of said company in pursuance thereof, affecting in any manner any of the lands donated by Congress for the purpose of constructing or appertaining to that portion of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad extending from Stillwater to Saint Paul, shall be deemed to be ratified or con-

Not to affect the lands of St. Paul and Pacific Railroad.

firmed hereby; but all the lands belonging and originally designed for and appropriated to the construction of said road from Stillwater to Saint Paul, shall remain irrevocably dedicated thereto; and the acceptance by the First Division of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad Company of this act, either by resolution or by acting under it, shall be deemed a full release to the State of Minnesota of any and all rights which said First Division of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad Company may have acquired, in or to any of the said lands, by virtue of such agreement.

SEC. 2. The holders of the aforesaid preferred stock and special stock, their successors and assigns, are authorized to use, possess, enjoy and exercise all and singular the said rights, benefits, privileges, property, franchises, powers and interests under the corporate name and style of the "First Division of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad Company," and by that name shall have perpetual succession, and shall have and enjoy all the powers, privileges, franchises and immunities incident to a corporation; may acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold, convey, sell and lease property and estates, either real, personal, or mixed; may make and have and use a common seal, and alter or renew the same at pleasure; may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend and be defended against, contract and be contracted with, and generally may do and perform all and every act and thing which may be necessary or requisite to the full enjoyment and exercise of all and singular the privileges, franchises, powers, rights, benefits, property and interests by this act and the said agreement transferred or conferred upon them.

Powers of holders of preferred stock.

SEC. 3. The organization of the holders of said preferred stock and special stock, under the name of the "First Division of the Saint Paul and Pacific Railroad Company," in pursuance of the act of the Legislature and of the agreement hereinbefore referred to, and all the acts and proceedings of said organization not contrary to law nor to the terms of said agreement, are hereby sanctioned, confirmed and legalized.

Legalizes organization.

SEC. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved February 6, 1866.