

the actual width of all streets and alleys and all lots and blocks embraced in said plat, and such other facts as may by law be deemed essential to a full and clear description of the location of the said village.

SEC. 2. Said certificate shall be acknowledged before some person duly qualified to take acknowledgment of deeds, and when so acknowledged may be incorporated in or attached to the original record of the said village plat in the register of deeds' office aforesaid, and when so attached shall constitute a part of the record of the same.

SEC. 3. That said recorded plat of the village of Alden, together with all certificates thereon as provided in this act, shall for all intents and purposes, be taken and deemed a complete and lawful plat of said village as though the same had been laid out in strict conformity to the provisions of the statute relating thereto which were in force at the time said plat was recorded, and such records and all certified copies thereof shall be taken and received in all courts in this state as competent evidence of the contents of said plat.

SEC. 4. All deeds and conveyances made by any of the original proprietors, or heretofore their heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, of any of the lots or land embraced in said village of Alden, and which conveyances were made in accordance to said plat or in reference thereto, are hereby legalized and made valid in so far as there may have been any defect in the laying out, platting, certifying, acknowledging and recording the plat of said village, in compliance with the statutes in force at the time the same was surveyed and platted as aforesaid.

SEC. 5. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 10, 1873.

CHAPTER LXXV.

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE THE TOWN PLAT OF THE TOWN OF ALBERT LEA AND TO AUTHORIZE THE RECORD THEREOF, AND AMENDING CHAPTER FIFTY-SIX OF SPECIAL LAWS OF MINNESOTA FOR 1860, BEING AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT TO VACATE CERTAIN STREETS AND A LOT IN THE TOWN OF ALBERT LEA.

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

SECTION 1. That the certified copy or transcript of the town plat of the town of Albert Lea, Freeborn county, Minnesota, the original proprietors and owners of the land on which said town site is situated being Lorenzo Merry, Thomas C. Thorne and George S. Ruble, which said copy or transcript of said plat duly certified by the register of deeds for Dodge county, Minnesota, was on the twenty-fourth day of February, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, filed for record in the office of the register of deeds for Freeborn county aforesaid (and the original of which was recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Dodge county, Minnesota, on the 29th day of October, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six) together with all the certificates and acknowledgments thereto attached, including the certificate of Charles C. Colby and the certificate and acknowledgment of William Morin, and the certificate and acknowledgment of Austin D. Clark as administrator, (successors in interest and grantees of Thomas C. Thorne and Lorenzo Merry, two of the original proprietors) attached to said copy or transcript of said plat by virtue of and pursuant to a special act of the legislature of the state of Minnesota, entitled "An act to legalize the plat of the town of Albert Lea, and conveyances made in reference thereto," approved March fourth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, which certificate of said Charles C. Colby bears date the ninth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and of Austin D. Clark on the twenty-seventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and of William Morin on the twenty-ninth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, may be recorded in the office of the register of deeds for Freeborn county, Minnesota, notwithstanding and [any] defects in said (copy or transcript of) plat, or in the original thereof, or in the certificate, or acknowledgments thereof (or the original thereof) and notwithstanding the fact that the same (or the original thereof) was not originally signed by all or any of the parties interested therein, or the owners of the land on which said town site was located, at the making thereof, or of said original plat, which said record shall include all entries thereon purporting to relate to the vacation of any part of said town, and without the payment of any tax or assessment, and as the same remain on file in the registry of deeds for said Freeborn county, and the said transcript or copy of said original plat so filed in said registry of deeds for said Freeborn county, and as located, identified and explained in the certificates aforesaid, is hereby declared to be the legal and valid plat of the town (site) of Albert Lea, and shall have the same force and effect as if the same had, in all respects, been made, executed, certified, acknowledged and recorded, as required by statute, at the time of the original making and filing of said plat, and all conveyances, contracts or other instruments heretofore, or which may be

hereafter made, executed or recorded by the original proprietors, or any subsequent grantees referring to the plat of said town, or of the town site or village of Albert Lea shall be construed to refer to the same as so filed and recorded in said Freeborn county, and when such conveyances have been heretofore, or shall be hereafter made by said original proprietors with such reference to said plat, the same shall be deemed a full and complete acknowledgment and ratification of the legality of said plat, the same as if said proprietors had fully completed and perfected the same at the time it was originally made, certified and recorded. *Provided*, That all additions to said village plat, or sub-divisions of any lots or outlots embraced within the original plat of said village which have not been recorded, shall be deemed null and void if not filed for record in the office of the register of deeds of said Freeborn county within thirty days from and after the passage of this act.

SEC. 2. That said certified copy or transcript of said plat, or the record thereof, as herein provided, shall be received in evidence in any of the courts of this state, and shall have the same force and effect as if the same was properly made, executed, acknowledged and recorded as required by law; and no objection to said copy or transcript of said plat, or the record thereof, shall be sustained by reason of any defect aforesaid in the making, executing, acknowledging or recording of said plat.

SEC. 3. The actual and necessary cost of recording said plat, certificates and acknowledgments, shall be paid by the town of Albert Lea.

SEC. 4. That chapter fifty-six of the special laws of Minnesota for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty, being an act entitled "An act to vacate certain streets and a lot in the town of Albert Lea," approved February twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and sixty, be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the following words in section one, of said act, to-wit: commencing with the word so in the first line of said section and striking out the words "so much of Newton, Elizabeth and Lake streets as extends north of Clark street, also."

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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