

CHAPTER 264.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO PLATS OF TOWNS AND CITIES IN THIS STATE, AND OF ADDITIONS TO AND SUBDIVISIONS THEREOF AND THE CORRECTION AND LEGALIZATION OF THE SAME.

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

SECTION 1. In all cases where the plats, or what purport to be the plats, of any towns or cities in this state, or of additions to or subdivisions thereof or copies thereof, fail to identify and show upon their face the tract of land covered, or intended to be covered thereby, the surveyor or surveyors, or any one of them who laid out or surveyed the same and, in case said surveyor or surveyors shall have died or his or their place of abode be unknown, or he or they be unable or refuse to make and execute such certificate, one or more of the proprietors who has signed said plat, may, within one year from the passage of this act, make and file in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which said lands are situate a certificate duly executed and acknowledged by him or them as deeds are to be executed and acknowledged, wherein shall be set forth a full description of the real estate covered and intended to be covered by said plat. If such certificate be made by a proprietor or by proprietors of such town or city, addition or subdivision, the same shall also be sworn to by him or them as being correct in all respects. And such certificate, so executed and acknowledged and verified, shall be recorded at length by said register of deeds in a book, to be by him provided for that purpose, entitled "Book of Plat Certificates," and said register of deeds shall thereupon note upon such plat and the copy thereof filed in his office as aforesaid, and referred to in such certificate and affidavit, the fact of filing such certificate and the book and page where recorded, and he shall receive, from the person offering said certificate for record, the fees provided by law for similar services. And said certificate or the record thereof shall, together with such plat, be *prima facie* evidence in all cases as to the real estate covered by said plat, to the same extent as if the description thereof was originally indorsed on said plat.

Sworn statement to be made by proprietor in case surveyor neglect or refuse to do so.

Certificate to be recorded.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

When act to take effect.

Approved February 27, 1885.