

An Act to change the name of "The Bytown Consumers Gas Company," and to confirm, amend, and extend, their corporate powers, under the name of "The Ottawa Gas Company."

**WHEREAS**, under the provisions of a certain Act of the Parliament of the Province of Canada, passed in the Sixteenth year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for supplying cities, towns and villages with gas and water," N. Sparks, John Egan, Hamnett Hill, Joseph Aumond, Richard Kneeshaw, Alexander Workman, J. B. Lewis, C. H. Pinhey, Edward Malloch, James Brough, and Edward McGillivray, did form themselves into an incorporated company for the purpose of supplying the Town of Bytown with gas, the statement or declaration whereof was duly executed by them in duplicate, and registered in the Registry office of the County of Carleton, the twenty-second day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, whereby it was declared that the capital stock of the said company should be ten thousand pounds, to be divided into shares of five pounds each, and that the said company should exist for the term of fifty years, and should carry on their operations at the Town of Bytown, in the County of Carleton, and the parties thereto did nominate and appoint five trustees therein named to manage the concerns of the said company for the first year; and whereas the Town Council of the Town of Bytown did, on the seventeenth day of April, in the said year eighteen hundred and fifty-four, enact and pass a by-law, numbered one hundred and ten, granting to the said company authority as such company to lay down pipes, for the conveyance of gas, under all or any of the streets, squares, and other public places of the said Town of Bytown, and whereas the Town of Bytown has since been erected into a city, under the name of the City of Ottawa, and the president, directors, and company of "The Bytown Consumers Gas Company" have, by their petition, prayed that the incorporation be said company as aforesaid, and their corporate powers as such, may be confirmed by Act of Parliament, and that the name of such company be changed to "The Ottawa Gas Company," and their corporate powers under such new name amended and extended; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:—

1. "The Bytown Consumers Gas Company" are hereby declared to have been, since the filing of the said statement or declaration in the Registry office of the County of Carleton, an incorporated company, under the name in the said statement or declaration mentioned, and all contracts, agreements, bonds, deeds, and conveyances made, received, executed, or granted by the said company under their corporate name have been legally made, received, executed, or granted, and are legal and binding, and the said by-law, number one hundred and ten, made by the then Town Council of the Town of Bytown, was, and is, and shall continue, legally operative and binding, for the purposes therein contained.

Charter of existing Company confirmed.