

An Act to explain certain enactments of the Acts of incorporation of the City of Montreal, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS doubts have arisen as to the true intent and meaning of Preamble. the requirements of the forty-ninth section of the Act of incorporation of the city of Montreal, which may produce disquiet in the public mind, as to the validity of the proceedings adopted by the Council of 5 the city of Montreal at the special meetings thereof from the time of its incorporation to the present day ; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts and declares as follows:

1. All special meetings convened by the order of the Mayor or How special meetings of the City Council shall be called.
 10 Alderman in pursuance of the power granted in the said forty-ninth section, may be so called and convened by the order of the Mayor or Alderman, by verbal or written intimation or notice to the City Clerk, who thereupon shall issue the summons to the members of the said Council in the manner prescribed by the said forty-ninth section.
- 15 2. All special meetings of the said Council called upon a requisition Special meetings on requisition of members. signed by five or more members of the said Council, shall be deemed and considered a sufficient notice to authorize the City Clerk to issue the summons to the members of the Council in the manner prescribed by the said section.
- 20 3. All special meetings of the said Council heretofore called and convened by the Mayor or by an Alderman, or by a requisition signed by five or more members of the said Council without any special notice Special meetings heretofore called as above provided declared to have been legally called. signed by them or any of them to the said City Clerk, requiring him to issue his summons in the form prescribed by the said forty-ninth section, 25 have been so called and convened legally and in accordance with the requirements of the said forty-ninth section.

2. And whereas it is enacted in and by the thirty-third section Recital. of the Act passed in the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth years of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered sixty, "that any proprietor 30 in the second, third, and fourth sections of Notre-Dame street aforesaid, whose property, or a portion of whose property, is required for the said improvement, who may be desirous of anticipating the time fixed for carrying out the said improvement in front of his property, may do so, by amicable arrangement, at any time before the confirma- 35 tion and homologation of the report of the said commissioners for the section of the said street in which such proprietor is interested, or after the confirmation and homologation of the said report, by an acceptance of the terms or price set upon his property in the said report ;" but no