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THEREAS by the fifty-eighth sec- Preamble tion of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, passed in the session held in the third and fourth years of Her Majesty's 5 Reign, and intituled, An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the government of Canada, it is enacted that it shall be lawful " for the section 58 of "Governor, by an Instrument or Instru- the Union 10" ments to be issued by him for that pur-"pose under the Great Seal of the Pro-"vince, to constitute Townships in those "parts of the Province of Canada in " which Townships are not already consti-15" tuted, and to fix the metes and bounds "thereof, and to provide for the election "and appointment of Township Officers "therein, who shall have and exercise "the like powers as are exercised by 20" the like Officers in the Townships af-" ready constituted in that part of the Pro-"vince of Canada now called Upper Ca-" nada: and every such instrument shall " be published by Proclamation, and shall 25" have the force of law from a day to be "named, in each case, in such Proclamation." And whereas since the time when the said Act came into force, divers Townships have been set apart and erected in 30 that part of this Province which formerly constituted the Province of Upper Canada, in the manner formerly practised in that part of the Province before the Union, but without any Proclamation having been 15 issued for the erection of the same in the manner by the said section provided, and it is expedient to confirm the setting apait and erection of the same Be it therefore enacted, &c.,

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And it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That all such tracts of land in that part of this Province called Upper Canada, as since the Umon of the Provinces, have been set apart, erected and 5 named as Townships, in the manner formerly practised in that part of the Province before the Union, shall, by the several names by which the same are now designated on the original maps thereof in the 10 office of Her Majesty's Commissioner of Crown Lands, be and be deemed to have been Townships, by the names aforesaid respectively, and with the several metes and boundaries designated on such maps, 15 and by the other records of the said office upon which such maps were framed, as fully and effectually to all intents and purposes whatsoever, as if the same and each of them had been set apart, elected and 20 named by Proclamation under the Great Seal of this Province, as directed by the provisions of the said Act; and to all such Townships, the laws in force in Upper Canada, in the election and appointment of 25 Township Officers and for the establishment and regulation of the powers of such Officers, shall apply and shall be deemed to have applied to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been so provided in and by 30 such Proclamation

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II And whereas there are now and may be hereafter among the Townships in either section of this Province, divers gores or small tracts of land, which from various 35 causes have not been or may not be included in the original survey and description of any Township, and being of too limited extent to form Townships by themselves : Be it therefore enacted, That it 40 shall be lawful for the Governor of this Province, by Proclamation, to annex any such Gore or Tract of Land as aforesaid, in any part of this Province, to any Township to which it may be adjacent or partly 45 to one and partly to another of any two or more Townships to which it may be adjacent, as in his discretion he may deem most expedient, and from and after the day named for the purpose in such Proclamation, or from the date thereof, if no other 5 day be therein named for the purpose, the tract of land thereby annexed to any Township shall form part thereof to all intents and purposes whatsoever.