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An Act to amend the Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and to erect St. Lambert into a distinct Municipality. Assented to 10th June, 1857.

Whereas the place called St. Lambert, lying on the south side of the River St. Lawrence, immediately opposite the City of Montreal, is one of the first and oldest settlements in Lower Canada, and from its situation is rapidly increasing in extent, wealth and commerce, being the terminus of the Grand Trunk and the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railways and the outlet of the Victoria Bridge, and its wants cannot be supplied by the Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and by the School Municipality of Longueuil: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

- I. From and after the first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, St. Lambert, bounded as follows, that is to say: on the west by the River St. Lawrence; on the south by the Seignorial line between Laprairie and the Barony of Longueuil; and in depth by the public road called "Chemin de la Pinière," from the above mentioned Seignorial line up to the road called "Chemin du Ruisseau St. Charles," and there bounded by the said "Chemin du Ruisseau St. Charles," up to its junction with the road called "Chemin de la Côte Noire;" and on the north by "la montée de la Côte Noire;" and on the east by the said road called "Chemin de la Côte Noire," up to the above junction with the road called "Chemin du Ruisseau St. Charles," and including in its boundaries the continuation of the several farms through which runs the said road "Chemin de la Côte Noire," which bounds this Municipality on the east, — shall, for the purposes of the Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and for School Municipal purposes, be detached from the parish of Longueuil, and shall be united into and form a separate Municipality, by the name of the Municipality of St. Lambert, in the County of Chambly.
- II. The Council of the said Municipality shall be subject to the provisions of the said Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855, with respect to Local Councils, except where it may be otherwise provided by this Act; and the said Municipality and Council shall have all the powers of a Local Municipality and Village Council under this Act, and the election of Councillors and the sittings of the said Council shall be held within the limits aforesaid at St. Lambert; the quorum at all meetings of the said Council shall be five, and the Municipal Councillors shall be also School Commissioners, having and exercising all the powers and authority of School Commissioners under the school laws in force in Lower Canada: and the said Council shall be organized, and the election of its members shall be made as it is prescribed by the Municipal and Road Act of 1855, except where it is herein otherwise provided.
- III. The Electors, Mayor and Councillors shall be male inhabitants of the said Municipality, of the full age of twenty-one years, and proprietors of real estate situate within the said limits of St. Lambert, of the value of fifty pounds currency, or enjoying an annual net income derived from any profession, mechanical calling or trade, of one hundred and fifty pounds currency, or being tenants, lessees or occupants within the said Municipality, for at least six months previous to the election, paying an

annual rent of ten pounds currency, and shall be subject to the performance of all the duties, and entitled to the exercise of all the privileges conferred and imposed by the provisions of the Municipal and Road Act of Lower Canada of 1855, and the school laws in force in Lower Canada, subject, nevertheless, to any amendments which the Legislature may make to the said laws, and in so far as such provisions may not be inconsistent with those of this Act.

IV. The said Municipality shall be organized and may exercise all its powers and functions although there may not be three hundred souls within its limits; and it shall be incumbent upon the Warden of the County of Chambly to organize the Council under the provisions of this Act, immediately after this Act has come in force.

V. This Act shall be a Public Act.