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An Act to detach the Parish of Saint Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues from the Municipality of L'Islet, and to erect the same into a separate Municipality. 25th April, 1849.

Whereas the Parish of St. Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues, and the Islands adjacent thereto, which form part of the County of L'Islet, are so situate as not to enjoy the advantages of the Act passed in the Session held in the tenth and eleventh years of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, *An Act to make better provision for the establishment of Municipal Authorities in Lower Canada*, the Councillors being obliged, each time they attend the Sittings of the Council at L'Islet, in the said County, to pass over more than three miles of water in order to reach the Main Land, and being in winter unable to attend the Sittings of the said Council of the Municipality of the said County of L'Islet without making pecuniary sacrifices, in addition to the personal danger they must incur; And whereas the interests of the said Parish and Islands are moreover distinct from those of the Main Land: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That from and after the First day of July next, after the passing of this Act, the Parish of St. Antoine de L'Isle aux Grues and the Islands adjacent thereto, in the County of L'Islet, shall form a Distinct Municipality, separate from that of the rest of the said County, and to be known and designated as The Municipality of the County of L'Islet, Number Two, which for all the purposes of this Act and of the Act aforesaid, shall be deemed and taken to form only one Parish; and that the said Municipality hereby constituted shall have, exercise and possess within the limits hereby assigned to it, all and every the Corporate or other powers given and granted by the said Act to County Municipalities; and the place of holding the Meetings of the Council of the said Municipality shall be in the Parish of St. Antoine aforesaid; but nothing herein contained shall affect the Municipality consisting of the remainder of the said County, or any thing done by the Council thereof, except that it shall be called The Municipality of the County of L'Islet, Number One, and that all the Councillors heretofore elected for any place within the Municipality hereby erected, shall retire from office and cease to be Members of the Council of the Municipality, Number One, upon, from and after the said First day of July next.

II. And be it enacted, That on the second Monday in the month of July next, or on some other Monday in the same month, three Councillors shall be elected in and for the said Municipality, Number Two, and in the manner provided in and by the said Act, and such Councillors, together with the two who shall cease to be Members (as aforesaid) of the Council of the Municipality, Number One of the said County, shall form the Council of the said Municipality, Number Two; and the said two Councillors, elected before the passing of this Act, shall be the first to go out of office and to be replaced by others to be elected on the second or some other Monday in the month of

July, one thousand eight hundred and fifty, and not before, after which the three or two (as the case may be) who shall have been longest in office, shall go out in the month of July in each year.

III. And be it enacted, That all By-Laws of the Municipal Council of the now existing Municipality of the said County shall remain in full force and effect as By-Laws of each of the said two new Municipalities respectively, until altered or repealed by any By-Law to be passed by the said Municipalities respectively; and all moneys in the bands of the Secretary-Treasurer of the said Municipality shall, after paying therefrom all debts due by the said Municipality, be divided between the said two new Municipalities, in proportion to the amount levied in each respectively.

IV. And inasmuch as the circumstances of the said Municipality, Number Two, are essentially different from those of the other Municipality of the said County—Be it therefore enacted, That any person being a resident Householder in the said Municipality Number Two, and having been so for three months and upwards before his Election, shall he capable to be elected a Councillor for the said Municipality, and to serve as such so long as he shall be so resident, although he may not have the qualification in property required by the Act aforesaid.

V. And be it enacted, That every Lessee of Lands lying in the said Municipality' Number Two, and being of the yearly value of at least five pounds currency, shall, if he be himself resident in the said Municipality, and have been so for the three months next before the Election, be capable of voting at the Election of Councillors for the said Municipality, although he may not have the qualification in property required by the said Act, and shall also, notwithstanding his not having such qualification, and so long as lie shall, he so resident, be capable of being appointed to and of holding and exercising any office under the Council of the said Municipality, or to which they have the power to appoint, and shall he liable to the same penalties for not accepting or not performing the duties of such office as if he had possessed the qualification in property required by the said Act; all the provisions whereof which are not inconsistent with those of this Act, shall, apply to the Municipality hereby erected, and to the Councillors and Officers elected or appointed therein.