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An Act to incorporate the Town of Galt and to define the limits thereof. Assented to 16th May, 1856.

Whereas the inhabitants of the Village of Galt, by petition, have prayed the Legislature to incorporate the same into a Town, the population, according to a census taken last year, approaching to the number required by law; And whereas it is expedient and necessary and would tend to promote the benefit and convenience of the inhabitants if the prayer of the said petition were granted: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

- I. The tract of land within the boundaries or limits hereinafter described shall, upon, from and after the first day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, be incorporated into a Town, to be called and designated as the Town of Galt.
- II. So much of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts as relates to incorporated towns, shall upon, from and after the day last aforesaid, apply to the said Town of Galt, which shall have and exercise all and singular the same rights, powers, privileges and jurisdiction as are given, granted or conferred upon, or as shall, by virtue of any Act or parts of Acts now in force in Upper Canada, or which shall hereafter be in force, belong to incorporated Towns; and all the rules, regulations, provisions and enactments therein contained, or which shall in any wise relate or belong to the same, shall apply to the Town of Galt, as fully as if the said tract of land had become a Town under the ordinary operation of the said Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, with the exception hereinafter made as regards the first election.
- III. The Town of Galt shall consist of that part of this Province situate within the County of Waterloo, in Upper Canada, and lying within the following limits, that is to say: "Commencing on the western limit of lot number seven, in the centre of the tenth concession of the Township of Dumfries, in the said County of Waterloo; thence on the said limit, to the allowance for highway between the tenth and eleventh concessions; thence along the said allowance to its junction with the macadamized road leading from Galt to Dundas; thence on the same course as the side lines of the concession to the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road; thence along the said Turnpike Road, crossing the allowance for Highway between the eleventh and twelfth concessions, to the junction of the said Turnpike Road with the common road leading from Galt to Preston; thence parallel to the allowance for highway between the eleventh and twelfth concessions, crossing the Grand River, to the side line between lots numbers eleven and twelve in the eleventh concession, produced into the twelfth concession; thence along the said side line, crossing the allowance for highway between the eleventh and twelfth concessions, and between lots numbers eleven and twelve in the eleventh concession, crossing the allowance for highway between the tenth and eleventh concessions, and between lots numbers eleven and twelve in the tenth concession, to

the centre of the said tenth concession; thence through the centre of the said tenth concession, crossing the Grand River to the place of beginning.”

IV. The said town of Galt shall be divided into five Wards, to be called respectively the First Ward, Second Ward, Third Ward, Fourth Ward, and Fifth Ward:

1. The said First Ward shall be bounded as follows, that is to say: commencing at the north-easterly angle of the Town, at the junction of the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road with the common road leading from Galt to Preston; thence in a south-easterly direction along the west side of the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road to Beverly street; thence along the centre of Beverly street to its junction with Church street; thence along Church street northerly to the centre of North street; thence west, along the centre of North street until it crosses North Water street; thence to the Grand River between the properties of James Kay and James Watson; thence northerly, along the east bank of the Grand River to the northern boundary of the Town; thence easterly, along the said boundary to the place of beginning.

2. The said Second Ward shall be bounded as follows, that is to say: commencing where Beverly street intersects the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road; thence south-easterly along the west side of the said road to the place where the Town line leaves the said Turnpike Road; thence southward along the Town boundary until it intersects the said Turnpike Road leading from Galt to the Toll-gate; thence westerly along the centre of the said road to the centre of Mill Creek; thence south-westerly along the centre of Mill Creek to the Grand River; thence northerly along the Grand River to the line between the properties of James Kay and James Watson before mentioned; thence easterly along the said line to North Water street; thence crossing North Water street and proceeding along the centre of North street easterly until it intersects Church street; thence southerly along Church street until it intersects Beverly street; and thence north-easterly along the centre of Beverly street to the place of beginning.

3. The said Third Ward shall be bounded as follows, that is to say: commencing where the Town boundary crosses the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road leading from Galt to the Toll-gate; thence westerly along the road between the tenth and eleventh concessions of the Township of North Dumfries, to where the Town boundary leaves the concession road; thence southerly along the said boundary to the south-east angle of the Town; thence westerly along the southerly boundary of the Town to the Grand River; thence northerly along the easterly bank of the Grand River to the centre of Mill Creek; thence along the centre of Mill Creek to the centre of Main street; and thence along the centre of the Dundas and Waterloo Turnpike Road to the place of beginning.

4. The said Fourth Ward shall be bounded as follows, that is to say: commencing at the centre of the bridge crossing the Grand River at Main street; thence westerly in a produced line from the centre of Main street to its intersection with the western boundary line of the Town; thence northerly along the said boundary to the north-west angle of the Town; thence easterly along the northern boundary thereof to the Grand River; thence southerly along the western bank of the Grand River, to the place of beginning.

5. The said Fifth Ward shall be bounded as follows, that is to say: commencing at the centre of the bridge crossing the Grand River at Main street; thence southerly along the western bank of the said River to the southerly boundary of the Town; thence west along that boundary to the south-west angle of the Town; thence northerly along the western boundary of the Town to the south-west angle of Fourth Ward; thence easterly along the southerly boundary of Fourth Ward to the place of beginning.

V. The Clerk for the time being of the said Village of Galt shall be *ex officio* Returning Officer for the purpose of holding the first municipal election under this Act, and shall, on or before the Twenty-first day of December next after the passing of this Act, by his warrant, appoint a Deputy Returning Officer for each of the five wards into which the said Town of Galt is hereby divided, to hold the first election therein; and in the discharge of their duties, each Deputy Returning-Officer, shall severally be subject to all the provisions of the said Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts applicable to first elections in Towns incorporated under the said Acts.

VI. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.