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An Act to incorporate the Village of Kemptville. Assented to 1st July, 1856.

Whereas it appears that the tract of land hereinafter described, in the Township of Oxford in the County of Grenville, contains within it more than one thousand inhabitants, and that more than one hundred of such inhabitants have petitioned His Excellency the Governor General to be incorporated, but that inasmuch as such population does not appear by the now last census returns, the said incorporation cannot be effected under the ordinary operation of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts; And whereas these facts have been represented by Petition to the Legislature, with a prayer that the incorporation aforesaid may be effected by a special Act, which prayer it is expedient to grant: Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

I. Upon, from and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, the tract of land comprised within the boundaries mentioned in the Schedule to this Act, shall be a Village under the name of the Village of Kemptville, and the inhabitants thereof shall be incorporated with the rights and privileges of an incorporated Village.

II. So much of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts as relates to incorporated Villages, shall, from and after the day last aforesaid, apply to the said Village of Kemptville, and the said Village shall have and exercise all and singular the rights, powers, privileges and jurisdiction which are thereby granted or conferred to or upon, or as shall by virtue of the said Acts or of any other Act or Acts now in force or hereafter to be in force in Upper Canada, belong to incorporated Villages: and all the rules, regulations and enactments in the said Acts or any of them contained, or which shall in any wise apply to incorporated Villages, shall apply to the said Village of Kemptville, as fully as if it had become an incorporated Village under the ordinary operation of the said Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, with the exceptions hereinafter made.

III. The Municipal Council of the Township of Oxford shall and may, at any time after the passing of this Act, and before the first day of December next, appoint a fit and proper person to be the Returning Officer for holding the first Municipal Election in and for the said Village of Kemptville, under this Act; and in the discharge of his duties, the said Returning Officer shall be governed by the provisions of the Upper Canada Municipal Corporations Acts, applicable to first Elections in incorporated Villages.

IV. Provided always, that the said Village of Kemptville shall remain liable jointly with the said Township of Oxford, for any debt or debts created by the Municipality of the said Township before the passing of this Act; and shall pay such share of such debt or debts as shall bear the same proportion to the whole of such debt or debts, as the assessed value of property in the said Village of Kemptville bears to the assessed value of property in the said Township, according to the last

Assessment Roll; and the share so payable by the said Village shall be payable by it to the said Township for the purpose of being applied to the payment of such debt or debts, and if not paid, may be recovered by the Township as a debt from the Village; Provided always, that the said Township and the said Village may, by their respective Councils, agree upon any other mode of settling the share of the said debt to be paid by each, and such agreement shall be valid as between them, but shall not affect the rights of the creditor or creditors.

V. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

Schedule.

Boundaries of the Village of Kemptville.

Commencing in front of the Third Concession of the Township of Oxford, at the centre of Lot number Twenty-four in the said Third Concession, — Thence along, a line (parallel to the side line) through the centre of the said Lot, to the rear of the said Concession, — Thence eastward along the rear of the said Third Concession, to the easterly limit of Lot number twenty-eight in the said Third Concession, — Thence northward along the side line between Lots numbers Twenty-eight and Twenty-nine, to the front of the said Third Concession, — and thence westward along the Third Concession Line, to the place of beginning.