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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND THIRTY-ONE**

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RESOLVE, to Preserve the Early Vital Records of the City  
of Westbrook.

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Resolved: That the state librarian is hereby authorized to purchase two hundred fifty copies of the early vital records of the city of Westbrook at two dollars and fifty cents per copy, the same to be distributed according to section ten, chapter four, of the revised statutes of nineteen hundred thirty. Six hundred twenty-five dollars is hereby appropriated to pay for same.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

Westbrook originally was a part of ancient Falmouth which was settled in 1632, and was incorporated in 1814, being named in honor of Col. Westbrook. In 1871, Deering was set off from Westbrook, but now comprises wards eight and nine of the city of Portland. Owing to its early settlement, the vital records of Westbrook are of great historical value. These records have been compiled from the earliest time to 1890. Town, probate court and other records have been carefully examined, as well as family Bibles, memorial stones and every other source of information obtainable. To the historian and genealogist, these records are of inestimable value and should be in every town and historical library. Once lost or destroyed, the information would forever be unobtainable.