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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk. Presented by Mr. Poulin of Waterville by request.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-ONE

AN ACT Authorizing the Mayor of Waterville to Appoint a Commission of Cemeteries.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Appointment of commissioners. The mayor of the city of Waterville is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint a commission to be called "The Commission of Public Cemeteries," each member of which shall be an owner in a lot in one of the public cemeteries in said city or a descendant of such a lot-owner.

Sec. 2. Members. The said commission shall consist of 3 members to be appointed by the mayor. In the first instance, the mayor shall appoint 1 member for a term of 2 years, another for a term of 4 years, and another for a term of 6 years. At the expiration of the term of any member, another member shall be appointed by the mayor for a term of 6 years. Each member shall serve for the period of his term or until his successor is duly appointed and qualified. In case of the death, or resignation of any member, the mayor shall appoint a successor for the unexpired term.

Sec. 3. Jurisdiction. Said commission shall have full control of all public cemeteries in said city of Waterville. It also shall take over and

hold all of the assets, property and funds of the Pine Grove Cemetery Committee. It shall have full authority to employ such labor as is necessary in the said cemeteries, receive all monies due, make all purchases necessary for the upkeep of the cemeteries and pay all bills. It shall keep all records of its transactions in a book kept for that purpose which shall be open to inspection at all reasonable times.

Sec. 4. Organization. Said commission shall organize with the election of a chairman, and a secretary-treasurer. Each commissioner shall receive a salary of \$25 per year and the secretary-treasurer shall receive an additional salary of \$125 for his services and shall furnish a bond in the penal sum of \$5000 to said city.

Sec. 5. Sale of lots. Said commission shall sell to any person or persons in behalf of and in the name of said city, a lot in the public cemeteries within said city for such sum as the commission may determine. The city clerk shall give a deed of such lot setting forth the rights and privileges of the purchaser in the premises and shall record the same in a book kept by him for the purpose, for which record he is entitled to receive 50c from the purchaser.