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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Edwards of Oxford.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-SEVEN

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### **AN ACT to Repeal the Incorporation of the Norway Village Corporation.**

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**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, within the geographical limits of the town of Norway there exist 2 separate forms of government, consisting of the town of Norway and the Norway Village Corporation, and

Whereas, the inhabitants of the Norway Village Corporation are thereby obliged to maintain 2 separate forms of municipal government and 2 distinct boards of municipal officers, and

Whereas, if satisfactory provision is to be made for continuing the services now performed by the Norway Village Corporation it will be necessary for repeal of the incorporation of the Norway Village Corporation to take effect prior to the annual town meeting of the town of Norway, and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature, these facts constitute an emergency within the meaning of the constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. P. & S. L., 1850, c. 406, organization of Norway Village Corporation, repealed.** Chapter 406 of the private and special laws of 1850

creating the Norway Village Corporation and all acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof are hereby repealed; provided, however, that the corporate existence, powers, duties and liabilities of said corporation shall survive for the purpose of prosecuting and defending all pending suits and causes of suits of which said corporation is, or may be, a party and all needful process growing out of the same, including provisions for the payment of any debts of or judgments which may be rendered against said corporation or exist in favor of any creditor.

**Sec. 2. Transfer of property, etc.** Immediately after this act becomes fully effective, according to section 4 of this act, all the property, real and personal, and the various departments of Norway Village Corporation shall be conveyed, transferred, assigned, delivered and paid over to the town of Norway, and said town may assume and carry on all the functions of Norway Village Corporation, and said town shall be authorized and empowered to raise funds by loan, or taxation, or both, from time to time, as found necessary, to carry on said functions and to defray the indebtedness thereof, if any.

It shall be the duty of the assessors of Norway Village Corporation, at the time this act becomes fully effective, to execute and deliver, in behalf of said Norway Village Corporation, suitable and appropriate conveyances of all property, real and personal, of said corporation to said town.

**Sec. 3. Contracts to be assumed by town of Norway.** Upon the acceptance of this act as provided in section 4 hereof, all valid contracts of said Norway Village Corporation shall be assumed and executed by the town of Norway.

**Sec. 4. Effective date; referendum.** This act shall take effect upon its approval by the governor only for the purpose of permitting its submission to the legal voters of the Norway Village Corporation at a special village corporation meeting called on or before March 8, 1947 for that purpose. The clerk of the Norway Village Corporation shall prepare proper ballots upon which he shall reduce the subject matter of this act to the following question: "Shall 'An Act to Repeal the incorporation of the Norway Village Corporation' be accepted?", and the voters shall indicate by a cross placed over the words "Yes" or "No" their opinion of the same. A certificate of the result of the vote shall be filed by the clerk of the Norway Village Corporation with the secretary of state immediately after the determination of the vote. This act shall become effective in full upon the date that the certificate of the result of such vote, to the effect that this act is accepted, is filed with the secretary of state. If a ma-

majority of the legal voters present and voting at such special meeting vote in favor of acceptance, this act shall be deemed to be accepted.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved as above provided.