

“An Act to Incorporate the Gardner Town Company”:

Be it enacted by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Kansas

Section 1 That Asa Thayer, O.B. Gardner, B.B. Francis, G.W. Chamberlain and A.B. Bartlett, their associates and successors are hereby constituted and declared a body politic and corporate by the name and style of the “Gardner Town Company” and by that name shall be capable of making contracts, suing and being sued, of pleading and being impleaded, in all matters whatsoever in all courts of law and equity in this Territory: said Company is authorized to have and use a common seal and to alter the same at pleasure and to make such by-laws and regulation as from time to time may be deemed necessary for the government of said Company and the management of its affairs:

Section 2 That the corporation hereby created shall have power to purchase and hold, to enter by pre-emption or otherwise acquire title to any quantity of land not to exceed six hundred and forty acres and to lay the same off into lots, parks, streets, squares and avenues and to sell, dispose of and convey the same:

Section 3 That the said Company shall have power to pass by-laws for the election of such officers, at such times as may be necessary to carry out the business of said Company: and all deeds for the conveyance of the real estate of said Company shall be signed by such officers of said Company, as the by-laws of said Company shall designate which deeds shall be duly executed and acknowledged as other conveyances of real estate, and when so signed and acknowledged shall be deemed and held a sufficient execution and authentication of such deeds in all courts of law or equity in this Territory or elsewhere:

Section 4 That the stock of the Company shall be deemed personal property and the said Company may be by by-laws prescribe rules, for the issuing and transferring the said stock by each individual stockholder:

This act to take effect and to be in force from and after its passage:

Approved February 9th, 1858

I, James W. Denver Secretary of the Territory of Kansas do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy from the enrolled bill now on file in my office.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto affixed my signature and the great seal of the Territory at office in Lecompton this sixteenth day of March A.D. 1858.

J. W. Denver