



CHAPTER 107

An Act to ratify certain resolutions of the municipality of the village of Gatineau, in the county of Hull, and of the school commission of the school municipality of St. Jean-Vianney, in the county of Papineau, and certain contracts passed between said municipality and said school commission, respectively, and Masonite Company of Canada Limited

[Assented to, the 17th of May, 1940]

WHEREAS the municipality of the village of Gatineau, in the county of Hull, and the school commission of the school municipality of St. Jean-Vianney, in the county of Papineau, have, by their petition, represented: Preamble.

That on the 10th day of July, 1939, the municipality of the village of Gatineau passed a resolution fixing at \$50,000 per annum, for a period of six years, the valuation of the taxable immoveables and property of Masonite Company of Canada Limited, a body corporate having its head office at Montreal, situated within the limits of the municipality of the village of Gatineau, the said six year period to begin to run from the date on which the manufacturing plant of said Masonite Company of Canada Limited shall begin its operations;

That on the 10th day of July, 1939, the school commission of the school municipality of St. Jean-Vianney passed a resolution fixing at \$50,000, per annum, for a period of six years, the valuation of the taxable immoveables and property of Masonite Compa-

ny of Canada Limited, a body corporate having its head office at Montreal, situated within the limits of the municipality of the village of Gatineau, said six year period to begin to run from the date on which the manufacturing plant of said Masonite Company of Canada Limited shall begin its operations;

That such fixing of the valuation of the taxable immoveables and property of Masonite Company of Canada Limited by said municipality of the village of Gatineau and by said school commission was made in view of the establishment in the village of Gatineau of a new industry which will employ considerable numbers of persons and will contribute to the progress of the said municipality of the village of Gatineau and of the Province, and because the said municipality of the village of Gatineau and the said school commission believed that it would be advantageous and in the interest of the Province in general and of the municipality of Gatineau in particular to encourage the establishment of such an enterprise in order to reduce unemployment;

That on the 26th day of January, 1940, a contract was passed between the municipality of the village of Gatineau and the Masonite Company of Canada Limited, and on the same date a contract was also passed between the school commission of the school municipality of St. Jean-Vianney and the said company, said contracts being based upon the respective resolutions of the said municipality of the village of Gatineau and said school commission and setting out the agreements of the parties with respect thereto;

That the said resolutions and the said contracts according to their terms are subject to ratification by the Legislature in order to give them force and effect;

That it is expedient, in view of the law and of the circumstances, that the said resolutions and contracts be ratified and confirmed, with the modification hereafter prescribed;

Whereas they have prayed for the passing of an act for the above purposes and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition;

Therefore His Majesty, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of Quebec, enacts as follows:

1. The resolution of the municipality of the village of Gatineau, in the county of Hull, passed on the 10th day of July, 1939, and the resolution of the school commission of the school municipality of St. Jean-Vianney, in the county of Papineau, passed on the 10th day of July, 1939, fixing respectively at fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) per annum, for a period of six years, for both municipal and school purposes, the valuation of the taxable immoveables and property of Masonite Company of Canada Limited, located within the limits of the municipality of the village of Gatineau, and the contract passed on the 26th January, 1940, between said municipality of the village of Gatineau and Masonite Company of Canada Limited, and the contract passed on the 26th January, 1940, between said school commission of the school municipality of St. Jean-Vianney and Masonite Company of Canada Limited, together with all the terms, provisions and stipulations of said resolutions and contracts, are hereby ratified, confirmed and rendered obligatory and shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the said municipality of the village of Gatineau and the said school commission and the said Masonite Company of Canada Limited respectively and upon the successors and assigns of each; the period of six years, fixed by the said resolutions and contracts, shall nevertheless start from the first of April, 1940.

2. Notwithstanding the clauses of the contract mentioned in this act, it is understood that the said commutation of taxes shall be subject to the regular and normal operating of the plant and to the payment of reasonable wages and salaries to the employees.

3. This act shall come into force on the day of its sanction.

