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AN ACT to incorporate the city of South Fulton, in Obion County, Tennessee, heretofore incorporated under the general laws of the State under the name of the city of Jacksonville.

South Fulton  
incorporated.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee,* That the city of South Fulton, in the county of Obion, in the State of Tennessee, and the inhabitants thereof within the boundaries hereinafter specified, be, and are hereby, constituted a body politic and corporate under and by the style of the city of South Fulton.

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ferred.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That the corporation aforesaid shall have perpetual succession by such name and style, shall sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all the courts of law and equity, and in all actions whatever, may purchase, receive and hold real and personal property, within the corporate limits, and may purchase, receive, and hold both personal property and real property within or beyond the corporate limits, to be used for the burial of the dead, for the erection and keeping up of hospital houses, quarantine houses, or stations or work-house, houses of correction, and water-works, and may sell or lease and dispose of all of said property for the benefit of the corporation; but the sale of said property shall be subject to the approval of the Mayor and City Council, and shall be sold as directed by the Mayor and City Council, and they may do all other things touching said property as natural persons; and they shall have a common seal, which may be changed at the pleasure of the Mayor and City Council. The City Council shall have power to establish, within or without the corporate limits, other houses or places for corporate purposes, and to make all laws and regulations for the government, improvement, and keeping of said places.

Same.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted,* That the Mayor and City Council of the city of South Fulton shall, within the limitations of this Act, have power by ordinance:

1. To levy and collect taxes for general corporate purposes upon all property and polls taxable by the laws of the State, the rate of taxation on property to be such amount as the Mayor and City Council may provide for.

2. To levy and collect taxes for general purposes upon merchants, and one or all the privileges taxable by the laws of the State, the rate upon merchants to be such as the Mayor and City Council may provide for.
3. To appropriate money, and to provide for the payment of the debts and expenses of the corporation.
4. To make regulations to prevent the introduction and spread of contagious diseases in the city, to make quarantine laws for this purpose, and to enforce the same within two miles of the corporation limits.
5. To make regulations to secure the general health of the inhabitants, and to prevent and remove nuisances.
6. To open, alter, abolish, widen, extend, establish, grade, pave or otherwise improve, clean and keep in repair streets, alleys and side walks, or to have or cause the same to be done.
7. To erect, establish and keep in repair bridges, culverts, sewers and gutters.
8. To provide for lighting the streets with either candles, lamps, or by electricity; digging wells, cisterns, and to erect pumps on the streets and public grounds.
9. To erect and keep in repair a good and sufficient system of water works, and keep the same in repair, or make contract, lease or let the erection of water works to a company or companies, the right and privileges for so doing, and shall have the power by ordinance to control and regulate the same.
10. To provide for the erection and improvement of of all buildings necessary for the use of the corporation.
11. To license, tax and regulate merchants, peddlers, and all privileges taxable by the State; and shall have power to regulate the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors, including wine, ale or beer, within the corporate limits of said city.
12. To regulate and suppress bawdy houses, gaming and gambling houses, and all disorderly houses, and obscene literature.
13. To provide for the prevention and extinguishment of fires, to organize and establish fire companies, and to regulate the carrying on of manufactories that may be dangerous in causing or producing fires.
14. To regulate the storage of gunpowder, tar, pitch, resin, saltpeter, gun cotton, coal oil, and all other combustibles, explosive or inflammable material, and the use of lights, candles, lamps, stove pipes, steam pipes, and chimneys in all storehouses, dwellings, outhouses, shops, stables, and other places, and to regulate and suppress

the use and sale of fire crackers or fireworks of all kinds, toy pistols, air guns, or target guns.

15. To establish and regulate markets, market-houses, and meat-houses of all kinds.

16. To impose fines, forfeitures, and penalties for the breach of any ordinance, and to provide for their recovery and appropriation.

17. To provide for the arrest, punishment, and imprisonment of all rioters and disorderly persons within the town by day or night, for the punishment of all breaches of the peace, noise or disturbance, and disorderly assemblies.

18. To impose fines or penalties upon the owner or owners, occupants or agents, of any houses, wall, or sidewalk, or other structure which may be considered dangerous unless the same be removed or repaired after notice of its dangerous condition, given as the Council may describe by ordinance.

19. To regulate, tax, license, or suppress the running at large of all animals within the corporate limits, to take and impound the same, and in default of redemption to sell or dispose of the same as may be prescribed by ordinance.

20. To provide for the arrest and confinement, or release on appearance bond until trial, of all persons violating any of the corporate ordinances.

21. To provide for the appointment of a police or special police force at such time as the Council may determine by ordinance.

22. To grant the right of way through or over the streets, alleys, avenues, and squares of the town to street or railroad companies or persons.

23. To take and appropriate grounds for widening streets, or parts thereof, or for laying out new streets, avenues, squares, or parks, when public convenience requires it. The manner, mode, and compensation to the owners of the land to be as now or may hereafter as fixed by the general law for the condemnation of private property for public use.

24. To regulate, restrain, or prohibit, by ordinance, the erection of wooden buildings within the fire limits of the city of South Fulton.

25. To provide for any person, who may fail to secure at once any fine or costs that may be imposed upon him or her under any ordinance, to be committed to the calaboose or work-house until the said fine and costs are paid. Every person so committed shall be required to