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APPROVAL—PETITION CONTAINING CERTIFIED COPY OF HOUSE BILL NO. 603, PASSED BY THE 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 22, 1936.

WILLIAM E. HALLEY, Esq., 1235 Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination a written petition signed by one hundred qualified electors of this state containing a certified copy of House Bill No. 603, passed by the 91st General Assembly in special session on March 26, 1936, approved by the Governor and filed in the office of the Secretary of State, April 7, 1936, and a summary of the same under the provisions of Section 4785-175, General Code, which act is sought to be referred to the electors. Such House Bill No. 603 reads as follows:

"Section 1. That sections 2632, 2750, 2823, 2867 and 2909 of the General Code of Ohio be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2632. A county treasurer shall be elected quadrennially in each county, who shall hold his office for four years from the first Monday of September next after his election.

Sec. 2750. There shall be elected quadrennially in each county a county recorder, who shall assume office on the first Monday in January next after his election and who shall hold said office for a period of four years.

Sec. 2823. There shall be elected quadrennially in each county a sheriff and a coroner, each of whom shall hold his office for a term of four years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after his election.

Sec. 2867. There shall be elected quadrennially in each county, a clerk of the court of common pleas, who shall assume office on the first Monday of January next after his election and who shall hold said office for a period of four years.

Sec. 2909. There shall be elected quadrennially in each county, a prosecuting attorney, who shall hold his office for four years, beginning on the first Monday of January next after his election.

Section 2. That existing sections 2632, 2750, 2823, 2867 and 2909 of the General Code be, and the same are hereby repealed."

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The summary of this act reads as follows:

"The present law of Ohio provides that at each general election held in even numbered years the people in each county shall elect a county treasurer, a county recorder, a sheriff, a coroner, a clerk of the court of common pleas, and a prosecuting attorney, each for a term of two years. House Bill No. 603, passed by the 91st General Assembly on March 26, 1936, amends that law and provides that county treasurers, county recorders, sheriffs, coroners, clerks of the court of common pleas and prosecuting attorneys shall be elected for terms of four years."

I am of the opinion that the foreging is a fair and truthful statement of House Bill 603 and accordingly submit for uses provided by law the following certification:

"I hereby certify that the foregoing summary is a fair and truthful statement of House Bill 603 of the 91st General General Assembly, first special session. JOHN W. BRICKER, Attorney General."

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL—CANAL LAND LEASE TO LAND IN WASHING-TON TOWNSHIP, MIAMI COUNTY, OHIO—HATTIE M. THORNTON OF PIOUA, OHIO.

Социвия, Оню, Мау 23,1936.

Hon. Carl G. Wahl, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: This is to aknowledge the receipt of your recent communication with which you submit for my examination and approval a canal land lease in triplicate executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said Department, acting for the State of Ohio, to one Hattie M. Thornton of Piqua, Ohio. By this lease, which is one for a stated term of fifteen years and which provides for an annual rental of \$21.00 payable in semi-annual installments of \$10.50 each, there is leased and demised to the lessee above named the right to occupy and use for cottage site and agricultural purposes that portion of the abandoned