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APPROVAL, TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR SALE OF ABANDONED OHIO CANAL LAND IN MADISON TOWNSHIP, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 27, 1929.

HON, RICHARD T. WISDA, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—This is to acknowledge your recent communication, submitting for my examination and approval a transcript in duplicate of the findings of fact and other records of proceedings of your office relating to the proposed sale to one Gladys M. Montgomery, of Newark, Ohio, of a certain parcel of abandoned Ohio canal lands in Madison Township, Licking County, Ohio, being that portion of the abandoned Ohio canal property, including the full width of the bed and embankments thereof located in Madison Township, Licking County, Ohio, and described as follows:

"Beginning at a line drawn at right angles to the transit line of the Bruce Doughton's survey of said canal property through Station 2022-42 and running thence easterly with the northerly and southerly lines of said canal property, ten hundred and thirty-eight (1038) feet, as measured along the transit line of said survey to a line drawn at right angles through Station 2012-04 of said survey and containing two and one-tenth (2.1) acres, more or less.

For a more definite description of the above described property, reference is hereby made to Plat No. 127, Bruce Doughton's survey of said canal property, said plat being on file at the office of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio."

An examination of the transcript of your findings and proceedings with respect to the sale of the above described parcel of land shows that aside from the erroneous reference to Section 14203-22, General Code, instead of to Section 14203-14, General Code, as the source of the special authority for the sale of this property, said findings and proceedings are in compliance with the statutory provisions authorizing and providing for the sale of such lands, subject to the correction to be made as above noted.

The statutory provisions relating to the sale of abandoned Ohio canal lands at private sale require such sale to be approved by the Governor and the Attorney General. In the present instance, the purchase price of the property to be sold to said Gladys M. Montgomery is the sum of \$420.00. No facts are presented relating to the appraisement of this property or to other matters touching this proposed sale which suggests any reason why this sale should not be approved by me. My approval of the sale is accordingly hereby given, as is evidenced by my approval of the resolution providing for the sale of this property found in said transcript.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.