

electors at the annual township meeting, by a vote of two-thirds of all the electors present at such meeting, shall determine that they will not comply with the provisions of this act for that year. 1827.
decide at annual meeting.

Approved April 12, 1827.

AN ACT to divide the several Counties in this Territory into Townships, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Legislative Council of the Territory of Michigan, That all that part of the county of Oakland known and distinguished on the survey of the United States by township numbered three, north of the base line in range eleven, east of the principal meridian, and townships numbered four and five in the same range, and townships numbered four and five in the tenth range, be a township by the name of Oakland, and that the first township meeting be held at the house of William Russell, in said township; and all that part of the said county of Oakland known as townships numbered two and one, in the tenth [eleventh] range, be a township by the name of Troy, and that the first township meeting be held at the house of Riley Crooks, in said township; that townships numbered one and two in the tenth range, and township numbered two in the ninth range, in said county of Oakland, be a township by the name of Bloomfield, and that the first township meeting be held at the house of John Hamilton, in said township; that all that part of the said county of Oakland known as township numbered one, in the ninth range, townships numbered one and two, in the eighth range, and townships numbered one and two, in the seventh range, be a township by the name of Farmington, and that the first township meeting be held at the house of Robert Wixom, in said township; that all that part of the county of Oakland which is not herein described, all that part of the county of Lapeer which is at present annexed to the county of Oakland as aforesaid, and the counties of Shiawassee and Saginaw, shall be a township by the name of Pontiac, and that the first township meeting be held at the court-house, in said township.

SEC. 2. That all that part of the county of Monroe heretofore set off and declared as the township of Frenchtown, be a township by the name of Frenchtown, and the first township meeting to be held at the house of Francois Lasselle, in said township; and all that part of the county of Monroe heretofore set off and declared as the township of Monroe, be a township by the name of Monroe, and that the first township meeting be held at the court-house, in said county; and all that part of the county of Monroe heretofore set off and declared as the township of Raisinville, be a township by the name of Raisinville, and the first township meeting be held at Luther Smith's, in said township; all that part of the county of Monroe south of the south line of the township of Monroe, and east of the east line of the township of Raisinville, and extending south to the south line of the surveyed township numbered eight, south of the base line in ranges six, seven, and eight, east of the

Townships organized in Oakland county — Oakland.

Troy.

Bloomfield.

Farmington.

Pontiac.

Townships organized in Monroe county — Frenchtown.

Monroe.

Raisinville.

Erie.

- 1827.** principal meridian, be a township by the name of Erie, and the first township meeting shall be held at Francois Cousino's, in said township; and all the residue of the county of Monroe be a township by the name of Port Lawrence, and the first township meeting be held at Eli Hubbard's, in said township; all that part of the county of Lenawee containing the surveyed townships numbered five, south of the base line, in ranges one, two, three, four, and five east of the principal meridian, be a township by the name of Tecumseh, and the first township meeting be held at Joseph W. Brown's, in said township; all that part of said county containing the surveyed townships numbered six, in ranges one, two, three, four, and five, east of the principal meridian, be a township by the name of Logan, and the first township meeting be held at Darius Comstock's, in said township; all that part of said county containing the surveyed townships seven, eight, nine, in ranges one, two, three, four, five, east of the principal meridian, be a township by the name of Blissfield, and the first township meeting be held at Harvey Bliss', in said township; and all that part of the country attached to said county of Lenawee, to which the Indian title was extinguished by the treaty of Chicago, shall be a township by the name of St. Joseph's, and the first township meeting shall be held at the house of Timothy S. Smith, in said township.
- SEC. 3.** That all that part of the county of St. Clair containing the surveyed townships and fractional parts of townships numbered three, in ranges fifteen, sixteen, and seventeen, east of the principal meridian, be a township by the name of Cottrellville, and the first township meeting be held at Cottrell's tavern, in said township; all that part of said county containing the surveyed townships numbered four, five, and fractional parts of said townships, in ranges thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, east of the principal meridian, be a township by the name of Sinclair, and the first township meeting be held at the court-house, in said county; all that part of said county containing the surveyed townships six, seven, eight, nine, in ranges thirteen, fourteen, fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, east of the principal meridian, be a township by the name of Desmond, and the first township meeting be held at Fort Gratiot.
- SEC. 4.** That all that part of the county of Macomb comprised within the following limits, that is to say, commencing at the county line between Macomb and St. Clair, on the township line between township four in range thirteen, and township four in range fourteen, running south until it shall strike Lake St. Clair, at or near the farm of Joseph Sansfacon, so as to include the said Joseph Sansfacon in the township of Clinton, which will include town-
- Port Lawrence.
Townships organized in Lenawee county—Tecumseh.
- Logan.
- Blissfield.
- St. Joseph.
- Townships organized in St. Clair county—Cottrellville.
- Sinclair.
- Desmond.
- Townships organized in Macomb county—Harrison.

Macomb north of the third townships, and in the thirteenth range east, be a township by the name of Ray, and the first township meeting be held at the house of Noah Webster in said township.

SEC. 5. That all that part of the county of Washtenaw included in the surveyed townships one, two, three and four south, in range seven, east of the base line, shall be a township by the name of Ypsilanti, and the first township meeting be held at the house of Andrew M'Kinstry in said township; and all that part of said county of Washtenaw included in the surveyed townships one and two, north of the base line, in range six, and townships one, two, three and four, in range six, and townships three and four, in range five, south of the base line, shall be a township by the name of Ann-Arbour, and the first township meeting shall be held at the house of John Allen in said township; and all that part of the county of Washtenaw included in the following surveyed townships, viz.: one and two south, in range five, east of the base line, and townships one and two in said range, north of the base line, and all the remaining townships north and south of the base line, in ranges one, two, three and four, shall be a township by the name of Dexter, and the first township meeting be held at the house of Samuel W. Dexter in said township.

SEC. 6. That all that part of the county of Wayne included in the surveyed fractional township four, in range eleven, and Grosse Isle, shall compose the township of Maguagon, and the first township meeting of the electors shall be at the house of Abraham C. Truax in said township; and all that part of the said county of Wayne within the limits of the surveyed township four south, in range ten east, and fractional township five south, in range ten east, shall compose the township of Brownstown, and the first meeting of the electors shall be at the house of John Sturgis in said township; and all that part of the county of Wayne included in the surveyed townships three and four south, in ranges eight and nine east, shall compose the township of Huron, and the first township meeting shall be held at the house of Matthew Woods in said township; and all that part of said county of Wayne included in the surveyed townships one and two south, in range eight east, shall compose the township of Plymouth, and the first township meeting shall be held at the house of John Tibbits in said township; and all that part of said county of Wayne included in the surveyed townships one and two south, in range nine east, and surveyed township one and fractional township two south, in range ten east, shall compose the township of Bucklin, and the first township meeting shall be held at the school-house near William Hecocks' in said township; and all that part of the said county of

Townships
organized in
Washtenaw
county—
Ypsilanti.

Ann Arbor.

Dexter.

Townships
organized in
Wayne county
—Maguagon.

Brownstown.

Huron.

Plymouth.

Bucklin.

Ecorce.

1827. Wayne included in the surveyed township three south, in range ten east, and fractional township three south, in range eleven east, together with all the tract of country between the River Rouge and the townships before mentioned, and east of the farm of Conrad Ten Eyck and the River Detroit, shall compose the township of Ecorce, and the first township meeting shall be held at the house of Daniel Goodell in said township; and all that part of the said county of Wayne between the township of Detroit and the River Rouge, including the surveyed townships one south, and fractional township two south, in range eleven east, shall compose the township of Spring Wells, and the first township meeting shall be held at the house of Alexis Campau in said township; and all that part of the said county of Wayne included within the bounds of the corporation of the city of Detroit, shall compose the township of Detroit, and the first township meeting shall be held at the council-house in said city; and all that part of the county of Wayne including surveyed townships one south, in range twelve east, and fractional township one, in range thirteen east, and east of the township of Detroit, shall compose the township of Hamtramck, and the first township meeting shall be held at the house of William Little in said township.

Spring Wells.

Detroit.

Hamtramck.

Township organized in Crawford county—
St. Anthony.

SEC. 7. That all that district of country within the county of Crawford, to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and comprehended within the following limits, namely: commencing at a point due east ten miles from the Mississippi river, on the parallel of north latitude 43 degrees 30 minutes, and running a southeasterly course by preserving in said course a distance of ten miles from the aforesaid river, until it intersects the parallel of north latitude 42 degrees 30 minutes, thence west along said line until it strikes the Mississippi river aforesaid, thence up said river until it strikes the first mentioned parallel of latitude, thence east along said line to the place of beginning, is hereby formed into a township by the name of the township of St. Anthony, and that the first township meeting shall be held at the court-house, in the village of Prairie du Chien.

SEC. 8. That all that district of country within the county of Brown, to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and comprehended within the following boundaries, namely: commencing at a point ten miles southeast from the head of the rapids of the Grand Kaukawlin, and running a due northeast course until it intersects a line drawn due northwest and southeast through Point au Sable of Green Bay, thence along said line until it intersects another line, commencing at and running a due northeast course from a point ten miles northwest from the head of the rapids afore-

Township organized in Brown county—
Green Bay.

ing at the intersection of the Cheboigun river, with the parallel of north latitude 44 degrees 30 minutes, and running west along said parallel until it strikes Lake Michigan, thence due north until it intersects the parallel of north latitude 46 degrees, thence east along said parallel until it would intersect a line due north from the place of beginning, is hereby formed into a township, to be called the township of Holmes, and the first township meeting shall be held at the court-house, on the Island of Michilimackinac.

1827.

SEC. 10. That all that district of country within the county of Chippewa, to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and contained within the following boundaries, namely: Commencing at the Nebish rapids and running a due west course until it would intersect a line drawn due south from Point Iroquois, of Lake Superior, thence due north with that line until it would intersect the national boundary line, and returning with said line down the St. Marie River to the place of beginning, is hereby formed into a township, to be called the township of St. Marie, and the first township meeting shall be held at the house of E. B. Allen; and in order that the inhabitants of Saint Anthony, Green Bay, Holmes, and St. Marie, may avail themselves of the privileges of township government during the present year, the qualified electors within the same respectively, are hereby authorized and empowered to hold an election on the last Monday in May next ensuing, for township officers, and the electors, when, assembled for the purpose aforesaid, instead of one supervisor as is provided by the act entitled "An act to regulate the duties and privileges of townships," may and they are hereby empowered to elect three supervisors in said townships respectively; and the said supervisors, when so elected, shall collectively within their respective townships, possess the same powers and perform the like duties as are conferred upon, and exercised by other supervisors within the several townships of this Territory; and moreover the said three persons, elected as aforesaid, shall constitute the board of supervisors of the county in which their respective townships are situated.

Township organized in Chippewa county—St. Marie.

Townships of St. Anthony, Green Bay, Holmes, and St. Marie, authorized to elect three supervisors for each township.

SEC. 11. That the inhabitants living within the incorporated limits of the village of Monroe, in the county of Monroe, shall not be liable to tax on the highways, in either the township of Frenchtown or Monroe, in said county of Monroe.

Inhabitants of the village of Monroe exempted from road tax in certain townships.

SEC. 12. That the first township meeting, to be held pursuant to the provisions of the act entitled "An act relative to the duties and privileges of townships," be held on the last Monday of May next, anything contained in the said act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Time for first township meetings.

SEC. 13. That the townships in the several counties in this Territory which in this act are laid out, described, and designated, or which may hereafter be laid out and established by law, be and they are hereby declared to be bodies politic and corporate, for the purpose of enjoying and exercising the rights and privileges which are or shall be by law given to them.

Townships declared bodies politic and corporate.

Approved April 12, 1827.