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GEORGI III. REGIS.

Cap. 50.

An Act for continuing for Twenty-one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, the Term, and altering and amending the Powers of Three several Acts, passed in the Twenty-fifth, Twenty-seventh, and Thirty-third Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, for repairing and widening the Road leading from *Market Harborough* in the County of *Leicester*, to the Pound in the Parish of *Brampton* in the County of *Huntingdon*. [13th June 1799.]

WHEREAS an Act was made in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, intituled, *An Act for Repairing and Widening the Road leading from Market Harborough in the County of Leicester, through Desborough, Rowell, Kettering, Barton Seagrave, and Thrapston in the County of Northampton, and through Bythorne, Spaldwick, and Ellington, to the Pound in the Parish of Brampton in the County of Huntingdon:* And whereas another Act was made in the Twenty-seventh Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty to explain and amend the said Act: And whereas another Act was made in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty to enlarge the Term and Powers of the said Acts: And whereas the Terms granted by the said Acts of the Twenty-fifth and Thirty-third Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, as also the additional Term of Five Years granted by an Act made in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled, *An Act to amend an Act made in the Twenty-sixth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for the Amendment and Preservation of the* [Loc. & Per.]

Preamble.
25 Geo. II.
27 Geo. II.
33 Geo. II.
28 Geo. II.
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“Public Highways and Turnpike Roads of this Kingdom, and for the more effectual Execution of the Laws relating thereto;” are near expiring: And whereas the Tolls collected upon the said Roads were directed to be divided into Seven equal Parts, and Four Parts thereof to be applied in repairing the Road which leads from *Market Harborough* to the Market Cross in *Thrapston*, and the other Three Parts thereof in repairing the Road from the said Market Cross in *Thrapston*, to the Pound in the Parish of *Brampton* aforesaid: And whereas the Sum of Thirteen Thousand and Sixty-six Pounds and Five Shillings is now due and owing on the Credit of the Tolls granted by the said Acts, *videlicet* the Principal Sum of Seven Thousand One Hundred and Thirty-seven Pounds, and the further Sum of Two Thousand and Ninety-nine Pounds and Five Shillings being the Arrears of Interest due to the Creditors who have usually been paid by the Trustees of the *Northamptonshire* Division, and the Principal Sum of Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds, and the further Sum of Eighty Pounds, being the Arrears of Interest due to those Creditors who have usually been paid by the Treasurer of the *Huntingdonshire* Division, which cannot be repaid, and the said Roads amended and kept in Repair, unless the Terms of the said Acts are further continued, the Tolls increased, and other Powers granted: may it therefore please your Majesty, that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same; That the said recited Acts passed in the Twenty-fifth, Twenty-seventh, and Thirty-third Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *George* the Second, and all and every the Authorities, Powers, Privileges, Exemptions, Provisions, Penalties, Matters, and Things therein contained, (except such as relate to Exemptions from Stamp Duties, and except such as are hereby altered, varied, or repealed,) shall be and the same are hereby further continued from the Expiration of the Terms granted by the said Acts of the Twenty-fifth and Thirty-third Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, and also of the additional Term granted by the said recited Act of the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, for and during the further Term hereinafter mentioned, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if the same were particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act, but subject nevertheless to the Amendments and Alterations herein contained; and this Act, and the additional Term hereby granted, shall be subject and liable to the Payment of all Money now due and owing on the Credit of the said recited Acts of the Twenty-fifth and Thirty-third Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, or that may hereafter be borrowed on the Credit of the said Acts and this Act, and of all Interest due or to grow due for the same respectively.

Acts further continued.

Tolls repealed and others granted.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the First Day of *September* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-nine the several Tolls and Duties granted in and by the said recited Acts, or either of them, shall (except as hereinafter excepted) cease, determine, and be no longer paid or payable; and that in lieu and instead thereof the respective Tolls or Duties following shall be demanded and taken before any Horse or other Beast or Cattle, or any Carriage, shall be permitted to pass through any Turnpike or Gate erected or to be erected by virtue of the said recited Acts or

this Act upon and across any of the said Roads, or upon and across any Lane or Way leading into the same (Ticket Gates only excepted); that is to say,

For every Coach, Berlin, Landau, Chariot, Calash, Chaise, Chair, Caravan, Hearse, or Litter, drawn by more than Two Horses or other Cattle, the Sum of One Shilling and Six Pence; and drawn by Two Horses or other Cattle, the Sum of Nine Pence; and drawn by One Horse or other Cattle, the Sum of Six Pence:

For each Horse or other Cattle drawing any Waggon, Wain, Cart, Caravan, or such other Carriage, having the Fellies of the Wheels thereof of a less Breadth than Six Inches, the Sum of Four Pence:

For each Horse or other Cattle drawing any Waggon, Wain, Cart, Caravan, or such other Carriage, having the Fellies of the Wheels thereof of the Breadth of Six Inches or upwards, the Sum of Two Pence:

For every loaded Cart or other Carriage fixed or fastened to any Stage Waggon or other Carriage, the Sum of One Shilling; and if empty or wholly unloaded, the Sum of Four Pence:

For every Horse, Mare, Gelding, Mule, or Ass, laden or unladen, and not drawing, the Sum of One Penny Halfpenny:

For every Drove of Oxen, or other Near Cattle, the Sum of One Shilling and Six Pence *per* Score, and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number:

For every Drove of Calves, Hogs, Sheep, or Lambs, the Sum of Five Pence *per* Score, and so in Proportion for any greater or less Number:

And that none of the Tolls and Duties hereby granted and made payable shall be increased, varied, or altered by any of the Provisions contained in an Act, passed in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, for the better Preservation of the Turnpike Roads within that Part of *Great Britain* called *England*, any Thing therein contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no more than One Moiety of the Tolls granted or continued by the said recited Acts or any of them, and payable before the Commencement of this Act, shall at any Time hereafter be demanded or taken for any Horse or other Beast, Sheep, or Cattle, or any Carriage which shall pass through any Turnpike Gate now standing, or that may at any Time hereafter be erected under the Authority of the said recited Acts or this Act on the Road leading from *Market Harborough* aforesaid to *Saint Mary's Bridge* in the Parish of *Great Bowden* in the said County of *Leicester*; any Thing in the said recited Acts or this Act contained to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

A Moiety of the Tolls to be taken on the Road between *Market Harborough* and *Saint Mary's Bridge*.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the several Trustees appointed by or in pursuance of the said recited Acts or either of them, and their Successors, shall be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to put this present Act and the Powers and Authorities herein contained into Execution.

Trustees of former Acts may execute this Act.

V. And be it further enacted, That from and after the said First Day of *September* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-nine, so

Former Appropriation of Tolls repealed.

so much of the said recited Acts, or either of them, as directs that the Tolls and Duties arising on the said Road shall be divided into Seven equal Parts or Shares, and applied in certain Proportions towards the Repair and Amendment of the said Road, or of any Part thereof, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

Division of
the Road.

VI. And be it further enacted, That from and after the said First Day of *September* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-nine, so much and such Part of the said Road as extends from *Market Harbour* aforesaid to a certain Post or Obelisk in *Keyston-Lane* shall be deemed to be the First Division of the Road by the said recited Acts and this Act directed to be repaired, and shall be called the *Northamptonshire* Division, and be repaired and amended by the Trustees of that Division; and that so much and such Part of the said Road as extends from the said Post or Obelisk in *Keyston-Lane* to the Pound in the Parish of *Brampton* aforesaid shall be deemed to be the Second Division of the said Road, and shall be called the *Huntingdonshire* Division, and be repaired and amended by the Trustees of that Division.

Application
of Tolls.

VII. And be it further enacted, That, from and after the said First Day of *September* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-nine, the Tolls to be taken and received in both the said Divisions of Road shall be paid into the Hands of the Treasurer or Joint Treasurers to be appointed in the Manner hereinafter directed, so as to make One General Fund, and shall be applied in defraying the Expence of repairing and amending the said Roads, and in Discharge of the said Sum of Thirteen Thousand and Sixty-six Pounds and Five Shillings now due and owing on the Credit of the Tolls granted by the said recited Acts, and also in Discharge of the Principal and Interest of any further Sum of Money which may hereafter be borrowed on the Credit of the Tolls hereby granted, and in defraying the Expences of procuring and passing this present Act; any Thing in the said recited Acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

Account of
Money paid
off to be pro-
duced at Ge-
neral Yearly
Meetings.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That the Treasurers acting in and for the said respective Divisions shall produce, at every General Yearly Meeting of the said Trustees, Accounts of the Produce and Application of the Tolls arising within their respective Divisions, and of the Balances then remaining in their Hands, which shall be applied and disposed of in such Manner as the Trustees then present, or any Nine or more of them, shall order and direct; any Thing contained in the said recited Acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

Trustees may
borrow Mo-
ney at 5 per
Cent. Interest.

IX. And whereas by the said first recited Act the said Trustees were restrained from borrowing Money at an higher Rate of Interest than Four Pounds *per Centum per Annum*; be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Trustees, or any Nine or more of them, at any General Meeting to be assembled pursuant to the Directions of the said first recited Act, to borrow any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two Thousand Five Hundred Pounds, and to pay Interest for the same at any Rate not exceeding Five Pounds *per Centum per Annum*; which Sum or Sums so to be borrowed, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall in the first Place be applied in defraying the Expences of procuring
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and passing this present Act, and the Residue thereof shall be applied in such Proportions as the said Trustees, or any Nine or more of them, at any General Meeting assembled shall direct in repairing the said Roads and paying Arrears of Interest, and in no other Manner whatsoever; any Thing in the said first recited Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

X. And be it further enacted, That a Meeting of the *Northamptonshire* Division shall be held at *Kettering* on the First *Thursday*, and of the *Huntingdonshire* Division on the First *Wednesday*, in the Months of *January*, *April*, *July*, and *October*, in every Year; and that a General Meeting of the Trustees shall be held every Year at *Thrapston* on the Fourth Day of *May*, unless that should happen on a *Sunday*, and then on the next Day; and that no other Meetings shall be held but for the Purpose of electing Officers in case of Vacancy, or for other special and extraordinary Occasions; and that Notice shall be given of such extraordinary Meetings upon the several Toll Gates on the said Road, and in the *Northampton Mercury* and *Cambridge Chronicle*, Ten Days at least before the Time of holding any such extraordinary Meeting, under the Hands of Five Trustees, which Notice shall express the special Purpose for which such Meeting shall be called.

For fixing the Meetings of the Trustees.

XI. And be it further enacted, That the Treasurer or Joint Treasurers, the Clerk of the General Meetings, and the Collectors of the Tolls at any Bar unlet, shall from Time to Time be appointed at a General Meeting of the Trustees, and that the Surveyors and Clerks of the Division Meetings shall, as heretofore, be appointed at a Meeting of the Division within which such Clerk or Surveyor shall act.

For appointing Officers at General Meetings.

XII. And be it further enacted, That the Clerk of the General Meetings shall receive the Sum of Two Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence for his Trouble and Expences in attending every such General Meeting, and that the Clerks of the Division Meetings shall receive One Pound and One Shilling for Trouble and Expences at each Quarterly and extraordinary Meeting, and that the Salaries hitherto paid the Clerks shall be discontinued from and after the Tenth Day of *May* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-nine, and that the Surveyors shall receive such Salary as shall be fixed by the Trustees who shall be present at the Division Meeting at which any such Surveyor shall be appointed; provided always, that such Salary shall be subject to be varied or reduced at any General Meeting at which Nine Trustees at the least shall be present.

For discontinuing the Salaries of the Clerks of Division Meetings, and for granting Salaries to Surveyors.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That if any Person or Persons whatsoever other than those employed in the Repairs of the said Roads, shall take away any Materials which have been digged, gathered, or collected in any Lands or Grounds, or on the Sides of the said Roads, or shall get or take any Materials out of any Pit or Quarry which shall have been made for the Purpose of getting Materials for the said Roads, before the Surveyors thereof or their Workmen shall have discontinued working therein for the Space of One Month, (except the Owner or Occupier of any Private Ground, and Persons authorized by such Owner or Occupier to get Materials therein for his own Private Use only, and not for Sale,) every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit

To prevent Materials being taken away.

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and pay any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings nor less than Ten Shillings, to be recovered and applied in the Manner directed by the said recited Acts.

For reinvest-
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Monies.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That in case any Money or Recompence shall be to be paid for any Messuages, Buildings, Lands, or Hereditaments, which shall be purchased, taken, or used for the Purposes of the said recited Acts or this Act, to any Corporation, Feme Covert, Infant, Lunatic, or Person under any other Disability or Incapacity as aforesaid, such Money or Recompence shall, in case the same be not less than the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, with all convenient Speed be invested in the Purchase of other Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall be conveyed and settled upon and subject to the like Uses, Trusts, and Limitations as the said Messuages, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments belonging to such Corporation or other Person as aforesaid, so to be purchased, taken, or used, were settled, limited, or assured; and in the mean Time and until such Purchase can be made, such Money shall be paid into the Bank of *England* in the Name and with the Privity of the Accountant-General of the High Court of Chancery, to be placed to his Account there, *Ex Parte* the Trustees for executing the said recited Acts or this Act, pursuant to the Method prescribed by the Act of the Twelfth Year of King *George* the First, Chapter the Thirty-second, and the General Orders of the said Court, and without Fee or Reward, according to the Act of the Twenty-fourth of King *George* the Second, Chapter the Twenty-fourth, and shall, when so paid in, be laid out in the Purchase of Navy or Victualling Bills, or Exchequer Bills; and the Interest arising from the Money laid out in such Bills, and the Money received for the same, as they shall be respectively paid off by Government, shall be laid out in the Name of the said Accountant-General in the Purchase of other Navy or Victualling Bills, or Exchequer Bills; all which said Navy and Victualling Bills and Exchequer Bills shall be deposited in the Bank, in the Name of the said Accountant-General, and shall there remain until a proper Purchase or Purchases shall be found and approved of by the said Trustees, or any Five or more of them, and until the same shall, upon a Petition setting forth such Approbation, (to be preferred to the Court of Chancery in a summary Way by the Person or Persons who would be entitled to the Rents and Profits of any of the Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to be purchased therewith, if the same were purchased and settled,) be ordered to be sold by the said Accountant-General, for the completing such Purchase, in such Manner as the said Court shall think just and direct; and it shall and may be lawful for the said Court to make such Order or Orders, in a summary Way, touching the Payment or Application of the Monies so to be paid into the Bank, and touching such Navy, Victualling, or Exchequer Bills, and the Interest thereof, in pursuance of the Directions of this Act, as the said Court shall think fit; but in case any such Money shall be less than the Sum of One Hundred Pounds, and not less than the Sum of Twenty Pounds, then such Money shall be paid to such Person or Persons as the Party or Parties entitled thereto shall respectively nominate to receive the same, in Trust, with all convenient Speed, to be reinvested in the Purchase of other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, which shall

shall be conveyed, and settled to, upon, and subject to the like Uses, Trusts, Limitations, Remainders, and Contingencies as the Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Premises which shall be purchased from them respectively by the said Trustees were respectively settled, limited, or assured to upon, or subject to at the Time of purchasing the same, or such of them as at the Time of making such Conveyances and Settlements shall be existing and capable of taking effect; and in the mean Time and until such Purchase or Purchases shall be made, the said Money shall be placed out by such Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, Corporations Aggregate or Sole, or other Person or Persons as aforesaid, in some of the Public Funds, or on Government or Real Securities, in the Names of Two or more Persons to be nominated by the Party or Parties interested therein, and to be approved of by the Trustees, or any Five or more of them; and the Dividends or Interest arising or to be produced from such Funds or Securities shall be paid to such Person or Persons respectively as would for the Time being be entitled to the Rents and Profits of such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments so to be purchased, conveyed, and settled by virtue of the said recited Acts or this Act.

XV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall be deemed and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken Notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and other Persons whomsoever, without specially pleading the same. Public A&.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take place from and immediately after the First Day of *September One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-nine*, and shall have Continuance until the Expiration of the Terms granted by the said recited Acts, and from and after the Expiration thereof for and during the Term of Twenty-one Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament. Commence-
ment and
Continuance
of the Act.

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