Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in section twenty-seven of the Reserves and other Lands Disposal and Public Bodies Empowering Act, 1916, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby constitute and declare the area of land described in the Schedule hereto to be a road district for the purposes of the Road Boards Act, 1908, and to be called by the name of the "Roto-o-Rangi Road District"; and also, in further pursuance and exercise of the power and authority contained in the said section twenty-seven, doth hereby declare that the Board of the said district shall consist of four members.

SCHEDULE.

ROTO-O-RANGI ROAD DISTRICT.

ALL that area in West Taupo County bounded towards the north-west by Waipa County; towards the east by Matamata County; towards the south-east by Maungatautari Nos. 3a 5a 7, 4e, and 4e 2 Blocks; and towards the south-west by Maungatautari Nos. 4H 1, 4H 4B, and 4H Blocks, Puahue Nos. 2 (6B), 2 (7B), and 2 (5A) Blocks, the southern parts of Nos. 2 (4), 2 (3), 2 (2), and 2 (1) Blocks, and by Puahue No. 1f Block.

F. W. FURBY.
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Transfer of North Otago Soldiers Fund to the North Otago Soldiers' Aid Association (Incorporated), under the War Funds Act, 1915.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this twelfth day of March, 1917.

Present:

THE HONOURABLE SIR JAMES ALLEN, K.C.B., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section thirteen of the War Funds Act, 1915 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), it is provided that any person, society, or trustees (whether such society or trustees are incorporated or not) having control of any war fund may, with the consent of the Governor in Council, transfer such fund to any other society or trustees incorporated pursuant to section twelve of the said Act, to be applied by such last-mentioned society or trustees for the purposes for which such last-mentioned society or trustees were incorporated, notwithstanding that such purposes may not be identical with the purposes for which the fund to be transferred was established; provided that consent shall not be given to any application under this section unless the Governor in Council is satisfied that the fund to be transferred can be administered by the incorporated society or trustees for substantially the same purposes as those for which the fund was established: And whereas an application has been made by the trustees having control of the North Otago Soldiers Fund to transfer the fund held by such trustees to the North Otago Soldiers' Aid Association (Incorporated): And whereas the Governor in Council is satisfied that such fund can be administered by the North Otago Soldiers' Aid Association for substantially the same purposes as those for which that fund was established: And whereas it is considered desirable to consent to such transfer:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority vested in him by the said Act, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby consent to the transfer of the fund held by the said trustees, entitled the "North Otago Soldiers Fund" to the North Otago Soldiers' Aid Association (Incorporated).

F. W. FURBY,
Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Altering Representation of certain Combined Districts on Otago Harbour Board, and appointing Principal Authorities.

LIVERPOOL, Governor. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this nineteenth day of March, 1917.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS by section twelve of the Harbours Amendment Act, 1910 (hereinafter referred to as "the said Act"), it is enacted that the creation, abolition, merger,

union, division, or other alteration of any constituent or combined district shall not in itself have any operation so as to affect the then existing membership of the Board, and that the Governor may from time to time by Order in Council, whenever in his opinion it becomes necessary or expedient so to do, make such provision with respect to the representation of any part of any constituent or combined district as he thinks fit:

And whereas the City of Dunedin and the Borough of St. Kilda were made a combined district for the election of four members; and the Counties of Taieri and Waikouaiti, that portion of the County of Waihemo not included in the Oamaru Harbour District, the Bay Town District, and the Peninsula, Tomahawk, Portobello, and Otakau Road Districts were made a combined district for the election of one member; and the Boroughs of Maori Hill, Roslyn, and Mornington were made a combined district for the election of one member of the Otago Harbour Board:

And whereas the City of Dunedin and the Boroughs of Maori Hill, Roslyn, and Mornington, and the Bay Town District have become one united borough by the name of the City of Dunedin, and it is necessary to make provision for the representation of the districts hereinbefore mentioned on the Otago Harbour Board:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that five members of the Otago Harbour Board shall be elected by the electors of the City of Dunedin as now constituted and the Borough of St. Kilda; and one member by the electors of the Counties of Taieri and Waikouaiti, that portion of the County of Waihemo not included in the Oamaru Harbour District, and the Peninsula, Tomahawk, Portobello, and Otakau Road Districts—in lieu of four members by the electors of the City of Dunedin and the Borough of St. Kilda; and one member by the electors of the Boroughs of Maori Hill, Roslyn, and Mornington; and one member by the electors of the Counties of Taieri and Waikouaiti, that portion of the County of Waihemo not included in the Oamaru Harbour District, the Bay Town District, and the Peninsula, Tomahawk, Portobello, and Otakau Road Districts: And doth hereby select and appoint the Dunedin City Council and the Taieri County Council to be the respective principal authorities for the purposes of such elections by the electors of the combined districts as hereby altered.

F. W. FURBY, Acting Clerk of the Executive Council.

Validating Proceedings in connection with a Loan of £200 proposed to be raised by the Council of the Borough of Northcote.

LIVERPOOL, Governor. ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this twelfth day of March, 1917.

$\mathbf{Present}:$

THE HONOURABLE SIR JAMES ALLEN, K.C.B., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

Whereas the Northcote Borough Council did, on the twentieth day of December, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, pursuant to the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, take a poll of the ratepayers of the said borough on the proposal of the said Council to raise a loan of two hundred pounds for the purpose of assisting towards the cost of the erection of a technical and manual training school to be built on the school grounds in Onewa Road, Northcote: And whereas the said poll was duly carried, and the said Council is desirous of borrowing the said sum of two hundred pounds so authorized by the poll of ratepayers as aforesaid: And whereas an irregularity or defect occurred in the proceedings required to be taken by section nine of the said Act antecedent to the said poll, in that in the first publication of the notice required by the said section nine it was not stated therein whether or not it was proposed to pay out of the loan the cost of raising the loan or the interest and sinking fund for the first year: And whereas it appears that the ratepayers of the said borough have not been misled by such irregularity or defect, and it is expedient to validate the said proceedings:

to validate the said proceedings:
Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and in exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by section one hundred and eleven of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, and acting by and with the advice and consent of the