

balance of a loan of one million five hundred thousand pounds, authorized to be raised for the construction of works for the generation and distribution of electric energy throughout its district.

And whereas by section forty-four of the Finance Act, 1920, the provisions of Part IV of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, are declared to be applicable to the said proposed loan of one million five hundred thousand pounds, and by section seven of the Local Bodies' Loans Amendment Act, 1921, the guarantee of any portion of the said loan is authorized:

And whereas the Minister of Finance is satisfied that a special rate has been made sufficient to pay the interest, sinking fund, and other charges payable in respect of the said loan, and that the said Southland Electric-power Board is duly empowered to raise such a loan and has taken all the necessary steps to obtain the same as required by section seventy-nine of the said Act:

And whereas it appears expedient to grant the said application:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, and in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities vested in him by the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, doth hereby guarantee the said loan of seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds (being the balance of the said loan of one million five hundred thousand pounds), subject to the provisions of Part IV of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, and the amendments thereof.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Validating the Proceedings in connection with a Loan of £1,600 authorized to be raised by the Council of the County of Piako.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of February, 1924.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Piako County Council, acting under and in pursuance of paragraph (e) of section sixteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, proposes to raise a loan of one thousand six hundred pounds for the purpose of metalling part of Mikkelsen's Road for the first time:

And whereas section seventeen of the said Act requires the special roll to be deposited not less than seven days before any steps are taken under paragraph (e) of section sixteen:

And whereas the special roll of the ratepayers was not deposited not less than seven days before the written consent of the ratepayers was obtained:

And whereas it appears that the ratepayers have not been misled by the said irregularity, and it is expedient to validate the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on 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 Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the proceedings taken to raise the said loan shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though the provisions of section seventeen had been properly complied with, and that the validity of the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall not be called into question by reason only of the irregularity or defect aforesaid.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Validating the Proceedings in connection with a Loan of £2,000 to be raised by the Rangiora County Council.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of February, 1924.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Rangiora County Council, acting under and in pursuance of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, proposes to raise a loan of two thousand pounds for

the purpose of the acquisition of land and for the erection of workers' dwellings:

And whereas the special order authorizing the raising of the loan is irregular in so far that the public notification of the time and place fixed for the confirmation of the said special order, although given four times, did not comply with the provisions of section ninety-nine of the Counties Act, 1920:

And whereas it appears that the ratepayers have not been misled by the said irregularity or defect, and it is expedient to validate the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on 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 Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the proceedings taken to raise the said loan shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though public notification of the special order had been given in the proper manner, and that the validity of the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall not be called into question by reason only of the irregularity or defect aforesaid.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Validating the Proceedings in connection with a Loan of £5,000 to be raised by the Waiapu County Council.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of February, 1924.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Waiapu County Council, acting under and in pursuance of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, proposes to raise a loan of five thousand pounds for the purpose of erecting workers' dwellings and acquiring the land for same.

And whereas the special order authorizing the raising of the loan is irregular in so far that the public notification of the time and place fixed for the confirmation of the said special order, although given four times, did not comply with the provisions of section ninety-nine of the Counties Act, 1920:

And whereas it appears that the ratepayers have not been misled by the said irregularity or defect, and it is expedient to validate the same:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, in pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred on 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 Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby order and declare that the proceedings taken to raise the said loan shall be valid to all intents and purposes as though public notification of the special order had been given in the proper manner, and that the validity of the proceedings in connection with the said loan shall not be called into question by reason only of the irregularity or defect aforesaid.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

*Validating the Proceedings in connection with a Loan of £1,700 to be raised by the Council of the County of Hobson.*

JELlicoe, Governor-General.  
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of February, 1924.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

WHEREAS the Hobson County Council, acting under and in pursuance of paragraph (e) of section sixteen of the Local Bodies' Loans Act, 1913, proposes to raise a loan of one thousand seven hundred pounds for the purpose of metalling roads at Hoanga:

And whereas the special order authorizing the raising of the loan is irregular in so far that the public notification of the time and place fixed for the confirmation of the said special order, although given four times, did not comply with the provisions of section ninety-nine of the Counties Act, 1920: