articles of incorporation: Provided, That any such corporation or association organized prior to the approval of this act shall be admitted to the benefits hereof, subject to all of the requirements of this act except that the marketing contract between such association and its members need not be approved by the director of agriculture.

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CHAPTER 17.
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SITE FOR BRANCH OF NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS.

AN ACT imposing upon a county as an arm and agency of the state an indebtedness not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) exclusive of interest, requiring such county to issue its negotiable bonds therefor and to levy taxes to pay the same and to acquire by condemnation or otherwise such site as may be selected and to donate and convey the same to the United States for the establishment of a branch home of the national home for disabled volunteer soldiers; conferring on such county the power of eminent domain for the purposes of this act, granting the consent of the state to such conveyance and ceding exclusive legislative jurisdiction to the United States over the lands so conveyed and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. WHEREAS, Under the authority of an act of Congress being chapter 832 of the acts of the 71st Congress United States statutes at large adopted July 3, 1930, a branch of the national home for disabled volunteer soldiers is directed to be established in one of the northwest Pacific states and the site thereof is directed to be obtained by donation, and
WHEREAS, Such site is about to be selected by the authorities of the United States duly authorized thereto and may be selected within a county of this state, and

WHEREAS, It is the duty of the state and its governmental agencies to aid the national government to the full extent of their means and ability and section 3 of article X of the state constitution enjoins upon the legislature the duty of providing for the maintenance of a soldiers’ home and the state will by the establishment of the national home be relieved of considerable financial burden, and

WHEREAS, The establishment of such branch in this state will be of great benefit to the people of the state and particularly to the county in which the same may be located.

Sec. 2. There is hereby imposed upon the county within which the site so to be selected may be located an indebtedness not exceeding, exclusive of interest, one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) and the county commissioners of such county acting as an arm and agency of the state are hereby directed to incur an indebtedness not exceeding, exclusive of interest, one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000) with which such county as an arm and agency of the state is hereby required to acquire by purchase or condemnation as may be necessary the site so selected by the proper authorities of the United States and to convey all of such lands to the United States to be used by the United States for the establishment and maintenance of a branch of the national home for disabled volunteer soldiers under the laws now authorizing the same and to maintain and continue the same under such amendments thereof as may hereafter be adopted, such indebtedness to be evidenced by negotiable general obligation bonds of such county.
Sec. 3. The obligations and duties imposed by the preceding section shall be conditioned upon the prior approval of such indebtedness and issue of bonds to be obtained at an election by the qualified voters of such county, and such election and the form and denominations of the bonds to be issued thereunder shall be governed by and shall conform in all respects to the laws of the State of Washington relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds by counties in cases in which an indebtedness in an amount exceeding one and one-half percentum of the taxable property in such county is sought to be incurred, and all laws of the State of Washington relating to the issuance of general obligation bonds of the county shall apply hereto in all respects not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Sec. 4. The right of eminent domain is hereby extended to such county as the agent of the state for every purpose of condemnation, appropriation or disposition intended by this act, and such county is hereby authorized and empowered, as such state agent, to condemn and appropriate all lands and rights whatsoever, and all provisions of law relating to the acquirement by eminent domain of lands for general county purposes shall apply to the condemnation, appropriation or disposition of lands to be acquired hereunder.

Sec. 5. The determination of the board of county commissioners of such county that the site for such soldiers' home has been selected by the proper authorities of the United States shall be a conclusive determination of that question and a conclusive determination that public necessity requires the condemnation and appropriation of such site.

Sec. 6. Pursuant to the constitution and laws of the United States, the consent of the legislature of the State of Washington is hereby given to the United States to acquire by donation from such
county title to all lands hereinabove referred to to be evidenced by the deed or deeds of such county signed by the chairman of its board of county commissioners and attested by the clerk of such board under the seal of such board; and the consent of the State of Washington is hereby given to the exercise by the Congress of the United States of exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever over such tracts or parcels of land so conveyed to it; Provided, That upon the making of such conveyance the same, or a duplicate thereof, shall be filed in the office of the auditor of such county and: Provided further, That all civil process issued from the courts of this state and such criminal process as may issue under the authority of this state against any person charged with crime in cases arising outside of said reservation, may be served and executed thereon in the same mode and manner and by the same officers as if the consent herein given had not been given.

Sec. 7. Owing to the lack of proper and adequate facilities to provide homes for disabled soldiers and to the necessity for immediate action in order to secure the location of such home within this state, an emergency exists requiring this enactment for the support of the federal and state governments and this act is declared to be and is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety and shall take effect immediately.

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