

as well to buy Forty Acres of Land at each of the Places aforesaid, where it shall appear to them, or the major Part of them, to be most convenient for the Towns aforesaid, as to survey and lay out, or cause the same to be surveyed and laid out, in the best and most convenient Manner, into Eighty Lots, in each of the Towns aforesaid to be erected.

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And be it further Enacted, That the Commissioners aforesaid, before nominated and appointed, or the major Part of them, are hereby impowered and required, at some Time by them, or the major Part of them, to be appointed, before the last Day of *November* next after the End of this present Session of Assembly, to meet together on the Lands aforesaid, or at some other Place near and convenient thereto, and then and there treat and agree (if the same can be done upon reasonable Terms) with the Owner or Owners, or Person or Persons, interested in the said Eighty Acres of Land so to be laid out into the Towns aforesaid, for the Purchase thereof. And if it shall happen that the said Owner or Owners, Person or Persons, will not agree with the said Commissioners, for such Rate or Price as they the said Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall think reasonable, or shall refuse to make Sale of the same; or that through Non-age, Coverture, or any other Disability or Impediment, shall be disabled to make such Sales, that then and in any such Case the Commissioners aforesaid, or the major Part of them, shall and are hereby impowered and required to issue a Warrant under their Hands and Seals, directed to the Sheriff of *Worcester* County aforesaid, for the Time being, commanding him to summon and impanel a Jury of Twenty-four good and lawful Men, Freeholders of his Bailiwick, to be and appear at a Day or Days, Place or Places, in such Warrant to be mentioned; which Sheriff is hereby required and obliged to execute the same, and that Jury being by the said Commissioners charged and sworn, shall upon their Oath enquire, assess, and return what Damages or Re-compense they shall think fit to be paid and given to such Owner or Owners, Person or Persons, for the Forty Acres of Land, in each of the said Towns; and whatever Sum or Sums of Money the Jury shall so assess and award, shall and is hereby declared to be the Value and Price to be paid to such Owner or Owners, Person or Persons, interested in each of the said Forty Acres of Land aforesaid.

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And be it further Enacted by the Authority, Advice, and Consent aforesaid, That after the Agreement and Purchase of the Commissioners aforesaid, or after the Assessment and Return of the Jury aforesaid, as the Case shall happen, the aforesaid Commissioners, or the major Part of them, shall, and are hereby required to cause the same Forty Acres of Land, so to be laid out into each of the Towns aforesaid, to be carefully surveyed, divided, and laid out by the Surveyor of the County aforesaid, or such other Person as they, or the major Part of them, shall make choice of and appoint for that Purpose, in case the said Surveyor shall neglect or refuse to attend, as near as conveniently may be, into Eighty equal Lots, allowing such sufficient Space or Quantity thereof, for Streets, Lanes, and Alleys, as to them shall seem meet; and the same Lots so laid out in each of the Towns aforesaid, shall number with the Numbers One, Two, Three, and so to Eighty, for distinguishing each Lot from the