

1 WHEREAS, Past experience has satisfactorily demonstrated that our city charter should be
2 so amended as to empower the city council to provide for the appointment of a city marshal,
3 or for the council within its discretion to dispense with said office, and transfer the duties of
4 said office to other officers or persons; therefore, be it

5 *Resolved by the City Council of the City of Davenport,* That the general assembly of the
6 state of Iowa, now in session, be earnestly requested to grant the necessary legislation to ena-
7 ble the city of Davenport to either provide for the election by the people. or appointment by
8 the city council, of a city marshal, to define his duties, or to entirely dispense with such office,
9 and to transfer the duties thereof unto other officers or persons.

10 *Resolved.* That the city clerk be instructed to transmit a copy of this resolution to our sen-
11 ator and one of our representatives in the general assembly.

12 Adopted.

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on Cities and Towns, to whom was referred house file No. 271, a bill for
an act conferring additional powers, and amending the charter of cities organized and existing
under special charters, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and
have instructed me to report the same back to the house with the recommendation that it do
pass.

S. L. GLASGOW, *Chairman.*

Ordered passed on file.

HOUSE FILE NO. 271.]

[BY EGBERT.

A BILL

FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CITIES ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER SPECIAL
CHARTERS, CONFERRING ADDITIONAL POWERS, AND AMENDING THE CHAR-
TERS OF SUCH CITIES, IN CERTAIN RESPECTS.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa.* All cities in this
2 state organized and existing under special charters, shall have power to provide, by ordinance,

3 for the appointment of a city marshal by the council of such city, or for the election of such
4 officer by the electors thereof, or may dispense with such officer, and confer the duties per-
5 taining thereto upon any other officer or person.

SEC. 2. This being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect immediately
2 after its publication in the *Iowa State Register*, a newspaper published at Des Moines, Iowa,
3 and the *Davenport Gazette*, a newspaper published at Davenport, Iowa.