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A BILL FOR

An Act to provide emergency housing for Veterans of World War II and their immediate families; to define "Veteran of World War II" and "immediate family"; to authorize any city of the first class under commission form of government to acquire real property and improvements thereon provided by the Federal Government or any agency or instrumentality thereof for housing facilities for employees of an ordnance plant and offered for sale; to provide that no part of the purchase price, or interest thereon, shall be paid from tax revenue; to provide for payments in lieu of taxes through agreement with county board of supervisors and local school districts; to provide for administration, management, control and disposition of any such property which may be acquired.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 Section 1. The term "World War II Veterans" means
 2 any resident of Iowa who was a member of the Armed Forces
 3 of the United States at any time on or after December 7,
 4 1941, and who is yet a member thereof, or who has been,
 5 or shall hereafter be, discharged or retired from said
 6 Armed Forces under conditions other than dishonorable,
 7 or who shall have died while in such Military service.

1 Sec. 2. The term "immediate family" shall mean

2 the husband or wife, child (including adopted child or
3 stepchild), parent, grandparent, brother or sister
4 (whole or half blood) of a World War II Veteran.

1 Sec. 3. Whenever in any city of the first class
2 under the commission form of government, the Federal
3 Government, any agency or instrumentality thereof shall
4 have acquired real property and improved the same for the
5 purpose of housing employees of a Federal Government
6 Ordnance Plant located within the County in which such
7 City is situated, and the Federal Government, any agency
8 or instrumentality thereof shall offer the same for sale,
9 such city is hereby authorized to acquire such real property
10 and improvements by gift or purchase for housing World War II
11 Veterans and their immediate families who are unable to
12 obtain suitable housing otherwise so long as there are
13 World War II Veterans and their immediate families making
14 application for such housing; then to all other applicants
15 in the order as determined by the Veterans Housing Authority
16 established herein. In the acquisition of the property
17 and improvements, title thereto shall be taken in the name
18 of the Veterans Housing Authority.

1 Sec. 4. Such action as is authorized by Section 3
2 hereof shall be by resolution of the Council of such City,
3 at such price and upon such terms as may be agreed upon
4 between said City Council and the seller thereof; provided,
5 however, that no part of such purchase price or interest

6 thereon shall be paid from any municipal income now or
7 hereafter derived from tax sources, and provided further
8 that such purchase price and the operating costs thereafter
9 shall be paid only from the net income of such real
10 property with the improvements thereon; but for the
11 purpose of defraying the cost of such real property and
12 improvements, the Veterans Housing Authority as established
13 herein, is hereby authorized to issue non-negotiable,
14 interest-bearing revenue bonds or other evidences of
15 indebtedness, to the Federal Government, any agency or
16 instrumentality thereof, payable from and secured by the
17 net earnings of such real property and improvements thereon,
18 and said bonds may further be secured by the pledge of the
19 real property and improvements thereon belonging to the
20 Veterans Housing Authority, which bonds or other evidences
21 of indebtedness shall not constitute a general obligation
22 of such City or be enforceable in any manner by taxation.

1 Sec. 5. Any such resolution as is contemplated by
2 Section 4 of this Act shall provide for the appointment
3 of an Authority to be known as the Veterans Housing
4 Authority which shall consist of three members to be
5 appointed by the City Council at least one of whom shall
6 be a Veteran of any of the Wars of the United States.
7 The members shall be persons who have resided within the
8 City for at least five years and who are not interested
9 directly in the business of purchase, sale, or rental

10 of real estate. They shall file bonds in an amount of
11 not less than ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars each,
12 the premium to be paid by such Veterans Housing Authority,
13 and with such sureties as may be approved by the City
14 Council. Their terms of office shall be three years and
15 until their successors are appointed and qualified. The
16 members first appointed, however, shall serve for terms
17 of one, two, and three years respectively. A member of
18 the Veterans Housing Authority may be removed from office
19 by the City Council for cause upon reasonable notice, and
20 hearing by said City Council upon the charges prepared
21 against him by any citizen or person in interest. Any
22 vacancy on the Authority shall be filled by appointment
23 by the City Council for the unexpired term. Said Authority
24 shall have the power either directly or through such agents
25 and employees as it may designate to own, use, manage,
26 control, operate, rent, sell, transfer, convey and sub-
27 divide such property and improvements thereon in such
28 manner as to best accomplish the purposes expressed in
29 Section 3 of this Act. It shall have the power to pay
30 as a part of the operating costs thereof such amounts in
31 lieu of taxes as may be agreed upon by the said Authority
32 and the County Board of Supervisors, and the Board of
33 Directors of the local school district. The Authority
34 shall make an annual report to the City Council.

1 Sec. 6. The powers of the Veterans Housing

2 Authority herein prescribed shall terminate ten (10)
3 years after the effective date of this Act, except that
4 the Veterans Housing Authority shall have the power within
5 one (1) year thereafter to liquidate any property acquired
6 hereunder and the proceeds thereof shall become the
7 property of the City.

1 Sec. 7. This Act being deemed of immediate importance
2 shall take effect and be in force from and after its
3 publication in the Burlington Hawkeye Gazette, a newspaper
4 published at Burlington, Iowa, and in the Mediapolis New
5 Era News, a newspaper published at Mediapolis, Iowa,
6 without expense to the state of Iowa.