

town, with heavy rails and adapted to steam power, and the said mayor and council may constitute and appoint by a corporate act any suitable person, their attorney to make said transfer.

## CHAPTER 127.

AN ACT to make valid a deed from Paul Heaton and wife to William H. Eder. Passed April 14, 1853.

WHEREAS, It is represented to this General Assembly, that a certain Paul Heaton and Mary Heaton, his wife, of Philadelphia county and State of Pennsylvania, did on the seventh day of April, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-six, before Edward D. Ingraham, commissioner, execute, acknowledge and deliver unto William H. Eder, their deed for certain real estate situate, lying and being in Cecil county, in the State of Maryland; *and whereas*, it does not appear in the acknowledgment to said deed that the said Paul Heaton and Mary his wife, were known to the commissioner, or proven to his satisfaction, to be the parties named as, and professing to be, the grantors in said deed; *and whereas*, it further does not appear in said acknowledgment that the said Mary Heaton, signed and sealed the said deed, out of the hearing of her husband; *and whereas*, it further does not appear that the said Mary Heaton, signed and sealed said deed without being induced to do so by fear or threats of, or ill usage by her husband, or by fear of his displeasure; Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the said deed be and the same is hereby made as valid to all intents and purposes, as if in the certificate of acknowledgment of said deed it were specially stated that the said Paul Heaton and wife, were known to, or proven to the satisfaction of the commissioner to be the persons named and described as, and professing to be, the parties to the said deed and that the said Mary Heaton signed and sealed the same out of the hearing of her husband and without being induced to do so by fear or threats of, or ill usage by her husband or by fear of his displeasure; *Provided*, that in all other respects the said deed is