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prevented and still prevent the removal of the old building, claiming it as their property in consequence of such vesting: And whereas it is inequitable that the said land and buildings should so pass to the said Board:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short Title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Tapanui Hospital Reserve Vesting Act, 1907.

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2. The certificate of title issued to and in favour of the Tuapeka Hospital Board in respect of the land described in the Schedule hereto is hereby cancelled, and the said land is hereby vested in the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Tapanui for an estate in fee-simple to be held for the purposes of a gymnasium.

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3. The District Land Registrar of the District of Otago is hereby empowered and directed to call in and cancel the certificate of title issued in favour of the Tuapeka Hospital Board, and to issue a Land Transfer certificate of title for the land in question to the Mayor, Councillors, and Burgesses of the Borough of Tapanui.

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