No. 22A.

PETITION.

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia, in Parliament assembled:

The petition of the undersigned humbly showeth:

- 1. That your petitioners are the owners of lands abutting on the waters of False Creek, in the City of Vancouver, east of Westminster Avenue.
- 2. That the Corporation of the City of Vancouver have presented a Bill seeking to amend chapter 60 of the Statutes of British Columbia, 1903-4.
- 3. That the said Act gives the City of Vancouver a right to expropriate any lands or interest in lands on or adjoining the foreshore of that portion of False Creek east of Westminster Avenue, and by section 5 fixes the time of arriving at the value of the lands as the date of the approval of the plan by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.
- 4. That by section 13 of the said Act it is provided that the plan should be adopted and approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council by the 1st of January, 1907, and expropriation proceedings commenced on or before the 1st day of January, 1908, but the said Corporation has done nothing towards having the said plan prepared.
- 5. That the said Corporation of the City of Vancouver now seek to have the time within which to commence expropriation proceedings extended to the year 1910.
- 6. That if the said Act is amended and the time for expropriation proceedings extended to 1910, great damage will be done to the property owners, as the uncertainty as to whether or not the Corporation will ever proceed with the work depreciates the value of the property and prevents sales being made and additional industries started upon the said lands, and the effect of tying up the properties is detrimental not only to the property owners but to the interests of the City.

Your petitioners, therefore, pray that no extension of time for commencement of expropriation proceedings under the said Act be granted.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray, etc., etc.

Dated at Vancouver this 24th day of January, 1906.

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