

## APPENDIX B.

### AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE KANSAS CITY BRIDGE COMPANY.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:*

SEC. 1. That R. T. Van Horn, M. J. Paine, A. J. Lloyd, and David E. James, their associates, assigns, and successors, are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, by the name of the Kansas City Bridge Company, and shall have the exclusive right and privilege of constructing a bridge at or near the City of Kansas, over and across the Missouri River, for the term of twenty years, and no other person or company whatsoever shall construct any other bridge for or within the distance of one mile from said bridge during the term of said twenty years, and said Company, by their corporate name, shall be capable in law of purchasing, taking, holding, using, selling, pledging, conveying, and disposing of real estate or other property, whether personal or mixed, so far as the same may be necessary for the purposes herein mentioned; may have a common seal, may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, defend and be defended against, contract and be contracted with; may make such by-laws, rules and regulations, appoint such officers, agents, and servants, and generally do all such acts and things not inconsistent with the laws and Constitution of the State of Missouri, and of the United States, as may be requisite and proper for the due execution and management of the work herein proposed to be done and for conducting the business of said Company.

§ 2. All the powers of said corporation shall be exercised by a board of directors and such officers and agents as they may elect and appoint. Said board shall consist of nine directors, who shall be elected annually by a majority in interest of the stockholders, present and voting, in person or by proxy, at such time and place as shall be prescribed by the by-laws, and who shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and qualified. Previous to such election the corporators herein named shall constitute the board of directors, three of whom shall constitute a quorum to do business. They may at any time after the passage of this Act cause books to be opened for subscriptions to the capital stock of the said Company at such times and places, and in such manner, as may be by them prescribed.

§ 3. The capital stock of said Company shall be one million of dollars, which shall be divided into ten thousand shares of one hundred dollars each, and when two hundred and fifty thousand dollars shall be subscribed the corporators shall call a meeting of the stockholders for the purpose of electing a board of directors, at such time and place as