

out of the proper fund; also the amount recovered by way of increasing any damages assessed or for damages when none have been assessed, with the costs, if any.

2. *Whenever any person, firm or corporation appeals to any court in this state having jurisdiction of the appeal from the award of damages for the taking of property for the public use and upon the trial of said appeal such person, firm or corporation is awarded by the verdict of the jury an amount of damages less than that awarded by said city, the amount of damages awarded by the verdict of said jury shall be the amount of damages that said party shall receive as full compensation.*

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 253.

AN ACT to create section 959—81m of the statutes, to authorize cities and villages to make appropriations for the observance of the national independence day.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 959—81m. Each city or village in this state, however incorporated, is hereby authorized to appropriate and expend annually a sum not to exceed five thousand dollars, for the purpose of observing and celebrating the national independence day on the fourth of July. Said sum may be expended for such purposes, in such manner and through such city or village officers or such committee or committees of citizens as the common council of the city or village trustees shall direct. The provisions of law relating to the letting of contracts by any such city or village shall not apply to any contracts let or purchases made under authority of this section, but said sum may be expended without the intervention of formal contracts. When the fourth of July falls upon a Sunday, then such celebration and the observance may be had either on the day preceding or the day succeeding.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved May 14, 1913.