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To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

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Whereas, it appears from a duly authenticated transcript filed in the General Land Office of the United States that pursuant to the provisions of the Act of Congress approved the third day of March A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, entitled "An Act to ascertain and settle the Private Land claims in the State of California," Isaac J. Sparks, as claimant filed his petition on the twenty-ninth day of September A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-two, with the Commissioners to ascertain and settle the Private Land claims in the State of California sitting as a Board in the City of Los Angeles, in which petition he claimed the confirmation of his title to a tract of land known by the name of "Huesna," containing at least five Spanish leagues, situate in the then County of San Luis Obispo, and State aforesaid, said claim being founded on a Mexican grant to the petitioner, made on the eighth day of December A. D. one thousand eight hundred and forty-three, by Manuel Micheltorena, then Brigadier General of the Mexican Army, Adjutant General of the Staff of the same, Governor General Commandant and Inspector of the Department of the Californias.

And whereas, the Board of Land Commissioners aforesaid, on the seventeenth day of January A. D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four rendered a decree of confirmation in favor of the claimant, as follows, to wit:

In this case, having the proofs and allegations it is adjudged by the Commission that the claim of the petitioner is valid, and it is therefore decreed that the same be confirmed.

The land of which confirmation is hereby made is known by the name of "Huesna" being the same which was granted to the claimant by Governor Manuel Micheltorena