Fremont avenue, on the west by Arlington avenue, the northern boundary being the intersection of Arlington and Fremont avenues, said lot being opposite No. 13 Engine House, for the purpose of there establishing a public reservation or park.

Sec. 2. And be it further ordained, That if in the furtherance of this purpose the Park Commissioners are unable to acquire from the owner or owners the title of said area of land, or any part thereof, by agreement, or if such owner or owners are at the time of such application under age, *femme covert*, *non compos mentis*, the unknown heirs of some deceased person or persons, or non residents of Baltimore City, or are under some legal disability to contract, they shall have power to condemn the same; in case of such condemnation, the course of proceedings shall be as follows: a petition shall be filed in the Baltimore City Court in the name of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, setting forth a description of the land proposed to be acquired, together with the statement that the said land is desired in part or whole for the establishment of a reservation or park, and that the said Park Commissioners are unable to agree with the owner or owners thereof, or some of them are under age, *femme covert*, *non compos mentis*, the unknown heirs of some deceased person or persons, or non-residents of Baltimore City, or are under some legal disability to contract, and a prayer that the court will have same condemned; the court shall thereupon pass an order requiring the owner or owners, or supposed owner or owners of the property, and for the husband and wife respectively

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of those to be named, to be served by the Sheriff, and returned by some day to be named in said order not less than ten days nor more than twenty days from the day of the filing of the said petition; or, if the owner or owners or reputed owner or owners are non-residents of the City of Baltimore, or are the unknown heirs of some deceased person or persons, the court shall order the Sheriff to set up a copy of the summons upon the property, and shall order a notice to the said residents or non-residents or unknown heirs of such deceased person or persons to be published twice a week for four successive weeks in two daily newspapers published in the City of Baltimore, requiring them to appear in the said court and defend their interests on or before some day named in the order, which day shall not be less than six weeks nor more than eight weeks from the day of the filing of the petition to condemn. Upon the return of the said summons, or upon the expiration of the time prescribed in the said order of publication, or upon the appearance of the owner or owners, or supposed owner or owners of the said property, the court shall hear and determine any reasons that may be alleged why the said property shall not be lawfully condemned for the purpose set forth, and if it appears to the court that any such owner or owners, or reputed owner or owners of said property are under any legal disability to make his, her or their defense, the court shall either authorize their duly appointed guardian or committee to appear and defend for them, or shall appoint some suitable person as guardian *ad litem* for them to

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