

**Alexander, Genesee County, NY**

At a meeting of the Universalists held at the School house in the Town of Alexander at their usual place of worship on Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> of August 1832, pursuant to public notice to form and constitute a society or religious incorporation according to statute in such cases made and provided[,], on motion elected John S. Flagler to preside at this meeting as moderator [and] elected Avery Thomas clerk to this meeting. Resolved that this Society forever hereafter be known and distinguished by the name and title of the First Universalist Society in the Town of Alexander. Resolved that three Trustees be elected for said Society[.] The following persons were duly elected as said Trustees to wit: James Nelson, Warren Beckwith, Joseph Rix[.] The said trustees were then duly classed[:] Warren Beckwith No. 3[,], Joseph Rix No. 1[,], James Nelson No. 2 and drawn according to statutes Trustees belonging to Class No. 1, 2, 3[.] On motion elected Avery Thomas clerk of said Society and also clerk of said Trustees[.] Resolved that Avery Thomas be the returning officer to make and file the certificate with the county clerk[.] Resolved that this meeting adjourn *sine die*.

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Be it remembered that a meeting of the male members of the Universalist Society held at the School House in the Town of Alexander on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832, pursuant to Public notice and according to the statute incorporating and regulating religious societies in such cases made and provided John S. Flagler as chairman [and] Avery Thomas clerk were duly nominated and elected to preside at said meeting, and to certify and return the proceedings thereof to the clerk of said county, that at such meeting it was unanimously resolved and agreed that said society should forever hereafter be known and distinguished by the name and title of the First Universalist Society of the Town of Alexander & County of Genesee[,], that the following persons were then and there duly elected Trustees of said Society to wit Warren Beckwith, James Nelson and Joseph Rix and that said Trustees and their successors shall forever hereafter be known and called by the name and title of the Trustees of the First Universalist Society of the Town of Alexander and County of Genesee[.] In witness whereof we have set our hands and seals the day and year above written.

*John S. Flagler* Mod  
*Avery Thomas* Clk

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On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of our Lord 1832 personally appeared before me Robert Earll Jr. a Judge of Genesee Common Pleas in and for said County Avery Thomas and John S. Flagler[,], to me known to be the same persons described in and who executed the above instrument and acknowledged they executed the same.

*Robert Earll Jr.* Judge  
Genesee Com. Pleas

A true copy of the original Recorded 21<sup>st</sup> January 1833 at 2 o'clock P.M. and examined.

*T. Fitch* clerk