## Aurora, Erie Co. NY

At a Meeting held on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year 1842 in accordance with a Notice given by the Rev. Benjamin Hunt according to the statute in such case made and provided—which Notice was given 15 days previous to said Meeting that a society would be formed called the first Universalist Society in the town of Aurora, in the county of Erie, and state of New York—and said notice being also published two successive Sabbaths previous to said meeting.

After calling the meeting to order N. M. Mann and Benjamin Hunt were chosen to preside at said meeting[,] whereupon the following persons were duly elected as trustees of said society—Stephen Holmes, Nathan M. Mann, Noah Shearer, Thomas Prentice, William C. Russel, and Orrin Treat.—to be classed in the following order, and to hold their office during the following time.—viz: Noah Shearer and Thomas Prentice, of the first class—to hold their office one year, when new ones are to be elected in their stead; and Stephen Holmes and Orrin Frost of the second class—to hold their office two years, when new ones are to be elected in their stead; and W<sup>m</sup>. C. Russel and Nathan M. Mann of the 3<sup>d</sup> class—to hold their office three years, when new ones are to be elected in their stead, and that all Trustees elected after the expiration of the above are to hold their office during three years:—said trustees to be denominated the trustees of the First Universalist Society in the town of Aurora, County of Erie, and State of New York.

In witness whereof we have set our hands and seals this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 1842.

N.M. Mann Benjamin Hunt

State of New York Erie County

On this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year 1842 Nathan M. Mann and Benjamin Hunt came before me and personally acknowledged that they had signed the within instrument for the uses and purposes therein mentioned and that I further certify that I know the individuals who made said acknowledgments to be the same persons who prefixed their signatures and executed the same in my presence.

J. Prentice J. Peace of Erie County

Recorded, examined and compared with the original June 21, A.D. 1842 at 2 Oclock P.M. Noah Sprague clerk

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