

**Brooklyn, Kings Co. NY  
(Williamsburgh)**

To all persons to whom these presents may come, We who have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed our seals do certify that on Friday June 6th 1845 the male members and ordinary worshippers of lawful age belonging to the congregation or religious society statedly worshipping in the church situated in Second street near South Fifth street in the village of Williamsburgh County of Kings and State of New York met at said church for the purpose of incorporating themselves under the act to provide for the incorporation of Religious Societies and the act amending the same which meeting was in pursuance of regular notice read from the pulpit of said church for that purpose fifteen days previous to the said June 6th and on three successive sabbaths for the election of trustees in the manner prescribed by the act entitled "an Act to provide for the incorporation of religious societies" and an act to amend the same at which meeting Gerherdus L. Demarest and Amos Smith were by a majority of voices nominated and appointed to provide an inspection of the said election and that George Ricard[,] Joseph C. Stanley[,] William B. Miles[,] Amos Smith[,] Theophilus W. Smith[,] William Dillingham and Milton Wolley were by a plurality of votes duly elected trustees of said congregation according to the said several acts and it was at the same time unanimously decided that the corporation shall and will be known and called by the name of "The First Universalist Society of Williamsburgh[.]"

Dated at Williamsburgh the seventh day of June A.D. 1845

*Gerherdus L. Demarest  
Amos Smith*

Kings County

On the twenty third day of August 1845 before me came the above named Gerherdus L. Demarest and Amos Smith known to me to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and severally acknowledged they executed the same.

*[N. D. Soper?]*  
Justice of the Peace

Recorded August 26th, 1845 at 2 P.M.

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