## Fort Ann, Washington Co. NY (West Fort Ann)

Parish Incorporation: — We, Rev. John F. Willis[,] the Presiding Officer of West Fort Ann Church and Alphonso Brown [and ] Augustus Batchelder[,] two other persons present and voting at a meeting of the majority of the members and persons of full age attending the Universalist Church at West Fort Ann N.Y. held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of Jan. 1898 at West Fort Ann, N.Y., for the purpose of forming a religious corporation pursuant to the provisions of the religious incorporation law of the State of New York[,] do hereby execute acknowledge and file this certificate for that purpose and certify as follows: - That at said meeting, called and duly held pursuant to due notice on the 17th day of Jan. 1898 at 7 o'clock P.M. at the Universalist Church at West Fort Ann, N.Y. of a majority of the persons of full age about thirty in number attending said church all duly and legally qualified voters, it was decided by a majority of the qualified voters voting thereon as follows:—First, That they become incorporated. Second, That the name of the proposed corporation is "All Souls Universalist Church" of West Fort Ann, N.Y. Third, That the date on which the first annual election of Trustees after this meeting shall be Jan. 9th, 1899. Fifth, That the following named persons were duly elected such Trustees, who shall hold office as follows: A. C. Batchelder and A. Baker until the first annual election of Trustees. M. Simmons and G. Green until the second annual election of Trustees. Patterson until the third annual election of Trustees. In Witness Whereof we have executed and acknowledged this certificate this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of Jan. 1898.

> Rev. John F. Willis, Pres. Officer Alphonso Brown Augustus Batchelder

State of New York County of Washington

On this 22<sup>d</sup> day of January 1898 before [me] personally appeared Alphonso Brown & Augustus Batchelder to me personally known to be the same persons described in and who made and signed the foregoing certificate & severally duly acknowledged to me that they made signed & executed the same for the uses & purposes therein set forth.

Chas. C. DeGolyer
Justice of the Peace

Filed and Recorded January 29, 1898 at 9 A.M.

Rodney VanWormer Clerk

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