

## Hartwick, Otsego Co. NY

To whom it may concern[:] This may certify that at a meeting held at the house of Josiah Jones in the town of Hartwick, on the twentyeth [sic] day of March instant, pursuant to public notice previously and duly given for the purpose of organizing a Society agreeable to the 3<sup>d</sup> section of an act entitled an Act to provide for the incorporation of religious Societies passed the 27<sup>th</sup> March 1801—Ambrose Clark & Eliphalet Dewey, two of the members of said Society were nominated by a majority of the members present to preside at said meeting and election and to return the names of the persons who by plurality of votes should be elected to serve as trustees for the said congregation— We the said Ambrose Clark & Eliphalet Dewey aforesaid, do certify that at said meeting Nehemiah Burch[, ] Samuel Morris, Nathan Field, Percy Bradford & Abel Calkins were by a plurality of votes, elected to serve as trustees for said society, we do also certify that the name or title by which said trustees and successors are hereafter to be known, is the Trustees of the first United Universal Society in Hartwick and the Vicinity Thereof and that said title was then and there agreed on by said meeting—

Dated at Hartwick the 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 1809—in presence of Nehemiah Burch [and] John Hubbard

*Ambrose Clark*  
*Eliphalet Dewey*

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Be it remembered that on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March A.D. 1809 personally appeared before me Elijah H. Metcalf one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Otsego Ambrose Clark and Eliphalet Dewey to me known who did severly [sic] acknowledge that they did execute the within certificate. I do therefore allow the same to be recorded, finding no material alteration therein—

*Elijah H. Metcalf*

Recorded 21<sup>st</sup> March 1809

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