Homer, Cortland Co. NY

State of New York Cortland County

Be it remembered that at a meeting of the male members of the Universalist congregation held at their church in Homer on the fourteenth day of January A.D. 1840 pursuant to public notice & according to the statute for the incorporation of Religious Societies in such case made & provided, A. C. Barray & Erastus Berry were duly elected to preside at said meeting to certify & return the proceedings thereof to the clerk of said county. That at said meeting it was unanimously resolved & agreed that said Society should hereafter be known and distinguished by the name and title of "The first Universalist society in the town of Homer." That the following persons were then and there duly elected Trustees of said Society, viz. Ebenezer Shirley, Almus Stebbins, Miller Berry, Walter White, Alfred Blanchard, Madison Woodsuff, Jehiel W. Reynolds, Levi Hopkins, Asa W. Merriss. And that said Trustees & their successors shall forever hereafter be known & called by the name and title of "The Trustees of the first Universalist Society in the Town of Homer."

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals the day and year above written—

A. C. Barray Erastus Berry

State of New York Cortland County

This may certify that on this 25^{th} day of January 1840 before me William Berry one of the Judges of the County aforesaid appeared A. C. Barray & Erastus Berry to me known to be the persons described & who executed the within certificate & acknowledged that they executed the same.

W[™] Berry, A Judge of Crt. Com. Pleas

Recorded Jan'y 31, 1840 at 3 o'clock PM

O. Stimson clerk per S. B. Canfield dep.

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