Lockport, Niagara Co. NY

We the subscribers do certify that a meeting was held on the eleventh day of April eighteen hundred and forty two of the male members of full age belonging to the first Universalist Church & Society in the Village of Lockport, County of Niagara and State of New York at their place of meeting for religious worship pursuant to such notice as is required to be given by an act entitled "an act for the incorporation of religious societies" passed April 5th 1813 and at that meeting so held as aforesaid the undersigned members of the society were nominated by a majority of the members present to preside at the election[,] receive the votes of electors and be the judges of the qualifications of the electors and the officers to return the names of the trustees and that Daniel A. Van Valkenburgh, Alexander Eastman, Stephen B. Ballou, Samuel C. Stevens, Harlow V. Wood and David J. Crandall were duly elected Trustees and classed as required by the statute and it was determined and agreed by said meeting that the name and title by which the said trustees and their successors shall forever hereafter be called and known shall be "the Trustees of the First Universalist Church and Society of the Village of Lockport" and we further certify that the above mentioned proceedings were had in our presence. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the 11th day of April 1842[.]

E. Servis Moderator

S.. C. Stevens   Clerk

State of New York
County of Niagara

On this 5th day of April eighteen hundred & forty three before me the subscriber personally came the within named Elliot Servis and Samuel C. Stevens to me known to be the persons who executed the within instrument and acknowledged that they severally signed, sealed and executed the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned[.]

Elias Ransom

First Judge of Niagara County Courts

Recorded June 24th, 1843 at 7 Oclock P.M.

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