Middlebury, Genesee Co. NY [now in Wyoming Co.]

To all who shall see these Presents: Know Ye, that whereas the male persons of full age belonging to the first Universalist Society of the Town of Middlebury[,] County of Genesee and State of New York did on the 25th day of March AD 1832 assemble at the School House in Wyoming where they statedly attend for Divine Worship and then and there did by a plurality of votes elect Darius Cruttenden, Moses Roe and Samuel W. Curtis being three discreet persons of the said society and congregation as Trustees to take the charge of the Estate and property belonging thereto and to transact all affairs belonging to the Temporalitia thereof, and whereas the Rev L. L. Sadler the presiding Minister of the said society and congregation did publickly notify the said society and Congregation of the said time and place when and where the said election was to be held at least fifteen days preceding such election[.] And such notification was given at two stated Sabbaths successively on which the society and congregation did meet for publick worship and had so statedly done previous to said election[.] And whereas on the said day of election and at the said place thereof Alfred Paddock and Samuel W. Curtis were nominated by a majority of the members of said society convened, to preside at such election[,] receive the votes of the electors at the same and to be the Judges of the qualifications of such electors[.] And the officers to return the names of the persons who by a plurality of votes should be then and there elected to serve as trustees for the said society and congregation[.] Now therefore we the said Alfred Paddock and Samuel W. Curtis still being members of the said society and congregation do hereby certify pursuant to the statutes in such case made and provided, that the said Darius Cruttenden, Moses Roe and Samuel W. Curtis above named were duly elected trustees in the manner aforesaid and for the purposes above stated[.] They and their successors to be hereafter called and known by the name and title of the First Universalist Society in the Town of Middlebury, Genesee County and State of New York[.] Given under our hands and seals this 26th day of March AD 1832.

> Alfred Paddock Sam'l W. Curtis

Genesee County

On this seventh day of May 1833 [sic] before me John B. Skinner[,] a commissioner of deeds in and for the said county[,] came Samuel W. Curtis and Alfred Paddock to me known to be the persons described in and acknowledged that they executed the foregoing instrument for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

John B. Skinner

A true copy of the original recorded 6 April 1833 [sic] at 11 o'clock AM and examined.

B. Pringle Dep Clk

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