Newburgh, Orange Co. NY

To all whom these presents may come we the subscribers of the First Universalist Congregational Society of Newburgh, N. Y. do hereby certify that at an election held at this place where the said society statedly attend divine worship (the courthouse of the county of Orange in the village of Newburgh) on the Twentieth day of February (instant) at one o'clock in the afternoon of that day the said election having been duly notified according to law fifteen days previous thereto and for two successive Sabbaths [?] this said election by public notice given to this [?] society by O. R. Franklin member [?] those at the stated meetings of the said society for public worship. And that the following persons were chosen Trustees of said Society to the [?] hereafter called and known by the name of the "First Universalist Congregational Church of Newburgh Orange County New York[.]" Named Clarence Cook, E. Vandenburgh, William Coventry H. Waddell, C. S. Monroe, O. R. Franklin, Benjamin Sears and W^m P. Marsh. And we do for this certify that we the subscribers being two of the members of said society were at the meeting aforesaid duly chosen by a majority of the votes of the said society [illegible] of the election for the said Trustees and performs the other duties recognized by law for such presiding officers[.] [S]et under our hands and seals this seventeenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine. Signed sealed and concluded in presence of M. D. Washburn and N. R. Emmet witnesses

> William Coventry H. Waddell Daniel R. Franklin

State of New York Orange County

On this twenty-first day of February 1859 personally appeared before me William Coventry H. Waddell and Daniel R. Franklin to me known to be the parties named and who executed the foregoing instrument and severally acknowledged that they executed the same

W^m C. Miller

Justice of the Peace in and for Orange County

A true record entered Feb. 23, 1859 at 9h am

C. G. Ellíott Deputy Clerk

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