## Norwich, Chenango Co. NY (North Norwich)

Chenango County Town of Norwich

At a meeting of a number of the inhabitants of said Town favourable [sic] to the principles of Universal Benevolence convened in accordance with previous legal notice at the Universalist meeting house in North Norwich on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord 1838 for the purpose of organizing a religious society Abram Per Lee and Richard Gorton were chosen moderators and S. N. Corbin secretary.

Article  $1^{st}$ . This society shall be organised [sic] under the name of and known by the title of the Second Universalist Society of the Town of Norwich.

Article 2<sup>d</sup>. The officers of this society shall consist of six Trustees and a clerk chosen at this meeting. The Trustees to be divided into three classes—one class together with the clerk to be chosen hereafter at each succeeding annual meeting to be holden on the first Monday of January of each year and a Treasurer to be chosen from and by the Trustees[.] Each and every one of the officers shall be members of this society.

The society then proceeded to the election of officers and Richard Gorton[,] Ambrose Bryan[,] Edmund G. Per Lee[,] Richmond White[,] J. N. Wood and Ezra Gorton receiving the greatest number of votes were duly elected Trustees[.] S. N. Corbin was elected clerk for the ensuing year.

Signed sealed and delivered the day and year first above written.

Abram Per Lee Ríchard Gorton

In presence of S. N. Corbin Recorded March 5, 1839 11 A.M.

James M. D. Carr Dep Clk

Chenango County

On the twenty forth [sic] day of April 1838 personally came before me Richard Gorton and Abram Per Lee known to me to be the persons who signed the within as moderators and acknowledged they executed the same for the use and purpose therein contained.

Ammon Merritt
Commissioner of Deeds

Recorded as above

J. M. D. Carr Dep Clk

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