

Southold, Suffolk Co. NY

Know all men by these presents that on the second day of December 1879 the persons of full age who have statedly worshiped in the church or congregation of the Universalist Church of Southold in the County of Suffolk and State of New York known as the First Universalist Church of Southold and in which divine worship is celebrated and has been celebrated according to the rites and discipline of the Universalist denomination of Christians in accordance with a notice duly given by the Reverend Abram Conkling minister of such congregation more than fifteen days and on two successive Sabbaths prior to such date, did meet at the church or meeting house in said town of Southold known as the First Universalist Church of Southold, the same being the place where such congregation statedly attended divine worship and did then and there by a majority vote of the members of such congregation present nominate and elect the undersigned George C. Wells and Charles E. Overton two of the members of such congregation to preside at such meeting and make return of the result thereof and did then and there by a plurality of voices of the members of such congregation present elect Rensellaer T. Goldsmith[,] Silas F. Overton[,] Salem D. Goldsmith[,] George C. Wells and Charles E. Overton to be the Trustees of such church and congregation and to take charge of the estate and property belonging to such church and congregation and to transact all affairs relative to the temporalities thereof. And it was by said meeting determined that the name or title by which the said trustees and their successors shall be hereafter known shall be "The First Universalist Church of Southold."

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this fourth day of December in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and seventy nine.

In presence of H. W. Prince

George C. Wells
Charles E. Overton

State of New York
Suffolk County

Be it remembered that on this fourth day of December eighteen hundred and seventy nine before the subscriber personally came George C. Wells and Charles E. Overton to me personally known to be the same persons mentioned and described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and to me duly acknowledged that they executed the same.

Henry W. Prince Notary Public

Recorded Dec. 5, 1879 4 P.M.

Orville B. Ackerly Clerk

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