Arcadia, Wayne Co. NY (Newark)

State of New York Wayne County

We, the undersigned do hereby certify, that an Election was held at the Stone School House in the village of Newark, in the town of Arcadia, in said County, on the seventh day of August 1837, pursuant to public notice as required by the "act to provide for the incorporation of Religious Societies" passed April 5, 1813, for the purpose of organising a Universalist Society and electing Trustees therefore; and that at the time & place first above mentioned, we the undersigned were duly nominated by a majority of the members of said Society then present, to preside at such Election, and that Lyman Sherwood, Vincent G. Barney, Eliab T. Grant, George [Howland?], Samuel Nichols, Erastus O. Pond, John G. Smith, Samuel Lucas and Milo Galloway were by a plurality of votes duly elected Trustees for said Society; and we do hereby further certify that the name or title by which the said Trustees and their successors in office are hereafter to be called and known as the Trustees of the "1st Universalist Society of Arcadia." In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals the seventh day of August, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven. Signed Sealed and delivered in presence of James D. Ford. Note the words "in the village of Newark" on the second line from the top and the front of the word "incorporation" on the sixth line from the top interlined before acknowledgment.

Vincent G. Barney Samuel Lucas

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On the 10th day of August A.D. 1837 before me Theodore Partridge a Judge of Wayne County courts, came James D. Ford, the subscribing witness to the above certificate with whom I am personally acquainted, and who being by me duly sworn, testifies that he resides in the town of Arcadia in the said County of Wayne, that he knew Vincent G. Barney and Samuel Lucas the persons described in and who executed the above certificate, that he saw the said Vincent G. Barney and Samuel Lucas execute the said certificate, and that he subscribed his name as witness thereto.

Theodore Partridge

A true copy—recorded August 10, 1837

C. Foster Clerk

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