

**North Brookfield, Madison Co. NY**

State of New York  
Madison County

We the undersigned two of the members of the congregation hereafter mentioned do hereby certify that on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of August 1852, the male persons of full age belonging to a congregation in which Divine Worship is celebrated according to the rites of the Universalist Church, and not already incorporated, met at the place of public worship heretofore occupied by the said congregation in the town of Brookfield, in said County for the purpose of incorporating themselves, and did then and there elect by plurality of voices Joseph Avery, Winthrop Allen, & Francis M. Stetson as Trustees of the said congregation. And the said persons did then and there also determine by the like plurality of voices that the said Trustees and their Successors should forever hereafter be called and known by the name or title of "The Trustees of the First Universalist Society of North Brookfield." Witness our hands and seals this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August 1852.

*Lucius E. Beebe*  
*Amos Babcock*

Signed & sealed in the presence of Tracy W. Conger

Madison County

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1853, personally appeared before me Tracy W. Conger to me known who being by me duly sworn did depose and say that he resided in the town of Brookfield, in said County[,] that he was acquainted with Lucius E. Beebe & Amos Babcock & knew them to be the persons who executed the above certificate, that he was present & saw them and each of them sign, seal and execute the same, & that they each of them acknowledged the execution thereof to him, whereupon he became the subscribing witness thereto.

*A. M. Covey*  
Justice of the Peace

Recorded January 4, 1853 at 9 o'clock A.M.

*Lucius P. Clark* clerk

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