

Charlotte, Chautauqua Co. NY

State of New York
Chautauque County

We the undersigned two of the members of the Religious Society hereinafter mentioned do hereby certify that in [sic] the 26th day of August in the year 1850 the male persons of full age belonging to a Religious Society in which divine worship is celebrated according to the rights [sic] of the Universalist Church & not already incorporated met at the place of public worship heretofore occupied by the said Society in the Town of Charlotte in said County for the purpose of incorporating themselves and did then and there elect by plurality of voices Stephen Lyman[,] James M. Luce & Emery F. Warren as trustees for said Society and the said persons did then & there also determine by the like plurality of voices that the said Trustees & their Successors should forever thereafter be called and known by the name and title of the Trustees of the first Universalist Society of Charlotte[.]

Witness our hands and seals this 13th day of December 1850

William W. King
Freeman Lake

Chautauque County

On this 28 day of December 1850 William W. King & Freeman Lake who are known to me to be the same persons who have executed the foregoing certificate personally appeared before me & severally acknowledged that they had executed the same for the purposes therein mentioned[.]

W^m. A. Carpenter
Justice of the Peace

Chautauque Co.

Recorded December 31. A.D. 1850 at 12 o'clock M.

O. Stiles Clerk

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