Gaines & Barre, Orleans County NY

State of New York Orleans County

Legal notice being given[,] a meeting of Universalists was holden at the courthouse in Albion on the seventh day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty eight, for the purpose of forming a Universalist Society—Hollis Sampson was chosen as Moderator and George Dorrance as Clerk to preside at said meeting—

Youngs A. Brown, Calvin Smith, Joseph Billings, John Babcock, William Bradner, and John Mead were chosen Trustees—

Voted, that this society shall be known and distinguished by the name of the Central Society of Universalists of Gaines and Barre. Voted that the annual meeting of this Society shall be held on the first Monday in September annually.

Hollis Sampson, Moderator George Dorrance, Clerk

Be it known that on this sixth day of May A. D. 1828 personally came before me the within named Hollis Sampson & George Dorrance both to me known to be the persons described in & who executed the within instrument and acknowledged that they severally signed sealed & delivered the same for the uses & purposes therein expressed.

N. J. Moody Judge of Orleans County

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