

**Hudson, Columbia Co. NY**

Recorded the 2d day of January, 1819 certificate of the Election of Trustees for the Election of Trustees for the first Universal Society and Church in the City of Hudson. We the subscribers do hereby certify under our hands and seals That on the Twenty Third day of March in the Year of Our Lord one Thousand, Eight hundred and seventeen at the place where the Society held their stated meetings (notice having been given at the said place at least fifteen days before the election and for two successive Sabbaths) we were chosen by a majority of the members present to preside at the Election of Trustees for the said Society in the manner directed by an act of the Legislature of the State of New York entitled and act to provide for the incorporation of Religious Society [sic] passed 5th of April 1813 and at the said election Hezekiah Dayton, Joseph Watson, William Bates, William R. Macy, Peter Taylor, Miron Ackley and Gayer Gardner were elected Trustees of a Religious Society to be denominated the first Universal Society and Church in the City of Hudson.

*Gayer Gardner  
Hezekiah Dayton*

State of New York

I, Joseph D. Morrell, Recorder of the City of Hudson certify that on the Eighteenth of August 1817, before me personally appeared Gayer Gardner and Hezekiah Dayton to me well known and severally acknowledged that they executed the within certificate as their respective acts and deeds for the purpose therein mentioned. I do therefore allow it to be recorded.

*Jos. D. Morrell*

A true copy  
*C. Miller* Clk

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