

Milford and Maryland, Otsego Co. NY
[Colliersville, town of Milford]

Whereas the undersigned persons being of full age and citizens of the State of New York have associated themselves together for the purpose of founding and erecting and continuing a free church to be known, distinguished and called the "First Universalist Society of Colliersville and Maryland in the County of Otsego and State of New York" that we have designated the following persons as trustees of said society as follows: Amos Spencer, Jared Goodyear, Geo. Coon, Horace Spencer, Simeon R. Barnes, Andrew Burnside, Gen. S. S. Burnside, and that the said trustees hold their offices until others are elected, and that their organization is in pursuance of Title 6, Chap. 8, Article 3, and section 50 (section 1) of the revised statutes. In Testimony Whereof we the said undersigned have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed our seals this 22^d day of February 1872, and that they are not ministers or priests of any denomination.

Amos D. Spencer
Jared Goodyear
G. H. Coon
H. D. Spencer
S. R. Barnes
Andrew Burnside
Samuel S. Burnside

In presence of J. W. Burnside

State of New York
Otsego County

On this 22^d day of Feby 1872 before me came the above named J. W. Burnside to me known who being duly sworn did say that he resides in the Town of Milford Otsego County aforesaid, that he knew the above named Amos D. Spencer, Jared Goodyear, George H. Coon, Horace D. Spencer, S. R. Barnes, Andrew Burnside, [and] Samuel S. Burnside[,] that he was present and saw the said persons severally sign & seal the foregoing certificate and that he therefore signed the same as the subscribing witness thereto.

Samuel S. Burnside
Notary Public

State of New York

I the undersigned one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York do hereby consent to the organization above set forth, as in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided. Binghamton[,] March 4th 1872

Ransom Balcom
Justice of the Supreme Court

Recorded March 27th, 1872, 2 P.M.

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