

CONSTITUTION  
OF  
1816 FARMINGTON QUAKER MEETINGHOUSE MUSEUM

ARTICLE I: Name

The name of this museum is 1816 Farmington Quaker Meetinghouse Museum.

ARTICLE II: Purposes

The purposes of this museum shall be:

- a. To establish and maintain the 1816 Farmington Quaker Meetinghouse as a historic house museum open to the public relating to and interpreting the national reform movements relating to women's rights and women's suffrage; relations between Quakers, Haudenosaunee and African Americans; abolition of slavery; and the Underground Railroad.
- b. To maintain and preserve the house and open it to the public on a regular schedule.
- c. To collect, own, hold, maintain, preserve and make available appropriate historical objects and artifacts.
- d. To arrange, create, maintain and promote appropriate historical exhibits and displays.
- e. To promote and support historical research and scholarship, issue publications in any format, and organize historical and cultural activities, programs and events for the public.

### ARTICLE III: Trustees

The number of trustees constituting the board of trustees is to be not less than five nor more than twenty-five.

### ARTICLE IV: Election of Trustees

The manner in which trustees are to be elected is as follows:

- a. In accordance with the procedures set forth in the by-laws, trustees shall be elected by a vote of two-thirds of the board of trustees.
- b. If any trustee shall fail to attend three consecutive meetings without written excuse accepted by the trustees, he or she shall be deemed to have resigned. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term by a two-thirds vote of the full board of trustees.

### ARTICLE V: Appointment and Function of Museum Director

The Chief Executive and operating officer of the museum appointed by the trustees and serving at their pleasure shall be the Museum Director, whose duties shall be those as defined by the bylaws of the institution.

### ARTICLE VI: Membership

Voting members of the institution shall be the trustees. Other classes of members, who shall be non-voting, may be established by the trustees.

### ARTICLE VII: Distribution of Assets upon Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of the museum, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal government, or to a State or local government for a public purpose.

ARTICLE VIII: Amendments

These articles may be amended at any time by a two-thirds vote of the board of trustees then in office.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Name:  
Secretary