Transcription of Deed for BSC.

Deed to Brick Street Church

Whereas in and by a Statute of the Province of Upper Canada, passed in the ninth year of the reign of King George the Fourth intitured [instituted?] An Act for the relief of Religious Societies therein named, it is inacted, that whenever any religious Congregation or Society of Presbyterians, Lutherans, Calvinists, Methodists, Congregationalists, Independents, Anabaptist Quakers, Menonists, Tunkers, and Moravians, Shall have occasion to take a conveyance of land for the site of a Church Meeting house or Chapel or a burying ground, it shall and may be lawful for them to appoint trustees, to whom and their successors to be appointed in such manner as shall be specified in the deed, the requisite land for all or any of the purposes aforesaid (not exceeding five acres to any one Congregation) May be conveyed, and such trustees and their successors, in perpetual succession, by the name expressed in such deed, shall be capable of taking holding and possessing such, land, and of commencing and maintaining any action or actions in law or equity for the protection thereof, and of their right thereto: And whereas a religious congregation or Society of Methodists have occasion to take such a deed of a tract or parcel of land situate in the Township of Westminster in the County of Middlesex and in the London District and said Province, for the site of a Church Meeting house or Chapel and a burying ground,-And have appointed trustees by the name of the Trustees, of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada Meeting house or Chapel and burying ground in the Township of Westminster

Now this Indenture made the fifth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, between Peter McNames of the Township of Westminster County of Middlesex London District and province of Canada Yeoman of the one part, and Nathan Griffith, Ezra D. Griffith, Thomas Summers, Nelson Norton, and Lucin L. McNames, all of the Township of Westminster County of Middlesex London District and said Province Yeomen, the Trustees above named of the other part Witnesseth, that the said Peter McNames for and in consideration of the sum of five shillings Cy to him in fund paid by the said Trustees, before the sealing and delivery hereof, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath given, granted, bargained, sold, assigned, released, conveyed, and confirmed, and by these presents doth give, grant, bargain, sell, assign, release, convey and confirm unto the said Nathan Griffith, Ezra D. Griffith, Thomas Summers, Nelson Norton, and Lucian L. McNames by the name aforesaid, of the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada Meeting house or Chapel and burying ground in the Township of Westminster, and their successors, to be appointed in the manner hereinafter specified, all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in Township of Westminster being also a part of the soth [south] part of Lot Number thirty-four in first concession of said Township fronting on the Commissioners road, containing by admeasurement one acre be the same more or less, which said parcel or tract of land is butted and bounded or may be otherwise known as follows: that is to say, Commencing at the North West angle of a part of the South part Lot Number Thirty four in the first concession of said Township, and at the limit between Lots Number Thirty four and thirty five fronting on the Commissioners Road and then running South Eleven degrees thirty minutes, East thirteen rods, then North Eighty one degrees thirty minutes East Thirteen Rods. then North Eleven degrees thirty minutes West Thirteen rods to the Commissioners Road, then Westerly along the Commissioners Road to the place of beginning to have

and to hold the said tract or parcel of land, with the building or buildings erected or to be erected thereon and all the appurtanances and privileges thereof, to them, the said Trustees and their successors in the said trust for ever, for the site of a Church, Meeting-house or Chapel or a burying ground for the use of the Members of Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada according to the rules and discipline which now are or hereafter may be adopted by the General or Annual Conferences of the said Church in Canada in trust and confidence that the said trustees for the time being shall at all times hereafter permit the regular Minister or preacher or Ministers or preachers, he or they being duly authorized by the said General or Annual Conference to preach and perform religious service in said house and burial service in said burying ground according to the rules and directions of said church and in further trust and confidence that the said Trustees for the time being may at their discression (sic) permit the regular Minister or preacher of any other Orthodox Protestant denomination of Christians to preach and perform religious service in the house when it shall not be required for the use of the Ministers or preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada, and it is declared to be the tru [true] intent of this deed that full numbers of Trustees shall continue to be five, and that whenever any one or more of the above named trustees or of their successors in the land trust, shall die or cease to be a member of said Church according to the rules and disciplines of said Church, the vacant pace [place] or places of the Trustee or Trustees so dying or ceasing to be a member or members of the said Church, shall be filled with a successor or successors being a Member of Members of the said Church of the age of Twenty-one years. The stationed Minister or preacher in the Charge of the said Church within whose circuit or station the said parcel or tract of land shall be, shall call a meeting of the surviving trustees of the said trust who when met, shall nominate, and appoint by vote, the requisite successor or successors in the said trust and in case of an equal division of the votes, said Minister or preacher shall have the casting vote in such appointment. And if it shall happen at any time that there shall be but two surviving trustees of the said trust in that case it shall and may be lawful for the stationed Minister or preacher who may be in chare [charge] of that station or circuit for the time being, to nominate and the Quarterly Meeting Conference if they approve, such persons as may be nominated, to appoint by a Mager (sic) vote of the Conference then present the requisite number of Trustees of the said trust and in cases of an equal division of votes the Chairman of the Quarterly Meeting Conference shall have the casting vote, and the person or persons so nominated and appointed in either modes shall be the legal successor or successors of the above named Trustees, and have all the rights and duties that are assigned by those. In testimony whereof the said Peter McNames hereto sets his hand and seal, the day and the year above written.

Signed, sealed and } delivered } in presence of ) Silas C. McNames } John McLean }

Peter McNames Nathan Griffeth Ezra D. Griffith Thomas Summers Nelson Norton Lucian L. McNames Peter McNames To Episcopal Methodist Church No. 438

I hereby certify that a Memorial of the within Deed was recorded in the Office of Register for the County of Middlesex the 30<sup>th</sup> Day of August 1851 at 30 Minutes past 10 o'clock a.m. (acc'n Libr B for Westminster} Folio 5 ? Burwell Reg Wm. C. ? D'y Reg