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CSJP Statement of Commitment to Laudato Si' Action Platform

We, the Sisters and Associates of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace (CSJP), an international Congregation and member of the International Union of Superiors General (UISG), do herein commit ourselves, our ministries and our resources humbly, yet firmly, to a seven-year journey to pursue the seven Laudato Si' Goals as expressed in the Laudato Si' Action Platform. We find these goals to be consistent with our ongoing work in the CSJP community.

We have heard the "cry of Earth," from our founder's written words through Chapter statements from 1990 to the present, and recognize Earth as the Creator's gift, not to be exploited, but to be cared for and its resources shared among all people.

Our charism of seeking peace through justice expresses our willingness to address the "cry of the poor" as was the desire of Margaret Anna Cusack in founding our order. This work is expressed most recently in our commitments to growing in nonviolence, in opposition to nuclear weapons, in sharing our resources, in living Jesus's way of radical hospitality, especially to migrants and refugees, and in working to overcome racism in all its systemic and personal expressions.

We further believe that by deepening our collaboration with others in the global community, especially the global sisterhood, we will contribute to the synergy required to reverse the current trends driving climate change, the extinction of species, growing inequality across the globe, and an endless war against hunger, forced migration, waste of resources, and the death that they provoke.

We commit to the journey now, with promises of more specific actions to follow in the months and years to come.

Affirmed by vote of the Congregation members on August 25, 2021.

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