

UUC GREEN SANCTUARY COVENANT

WE THE UNDERSIGNED

- Recognizing the fragile and interdependent state of our Earth and all living beings;
- Recognizing the need to protect and maintain the quality of our common life-giving natural resources such as water, soil and air;
- Recognizing the need to join with others to foster a sustainable society based on respect for our planet and all its life-giving resources; and
- Recognizing our universal human rights to a clean environment:

DO THEREFORE DECLARE

To one another, the greater community of life, and to future generations, our acceptance of responsibility for preserving and protecting the health, vitality, beauty and diversity of this planet Earth.

TO THIS END

As members of the Unitarian Universalists of Clearwater, Florida, and participants in the Green Sanctuary program, we pledge to encourage one another in a personal and congregational commitment to living the promise through our Unitarian Universalist Principles, including the Seventh Principle,

“Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.”

- In addition to specific projects and activities, we make the following commitments:
- We incorporate Seventh Principle values and practices into our worship services, celebrations and religious education programs.
- We live lightly on the Earth and strive to continually improve our environmental impact.
- We support efforts to improve the quality of our watershed.
- We affirm and promote programs to raise the awareness of human behaviors that affect the health and sustainability of the living Earth.
- We celebrate the spiritual teachings of earth-centered traditions which celebrate the sacred Circle of Life and instruct us to live in harmony with the rhythm of nature.

We champion bold initiatives to defend at-risk populations adversely affected by climate change.

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