



**LAUDATO SI'**

Action Platform

## **Statement of Commitment to the Laudato Si' Action Platform**

Our Wheaton Franciscan charism calls us to be a blessing in the heart of the world. Therefore, we, the St. Clare Regional Community of the international congregation of Franciscan Sisters, Daughters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, joyfully and humbly pledge our commitment to develop and implement a seven-year Laudato Si' Action Plan as we seek a flourishing future.

We believe that all of creation is one. As people of God, we are called to live in harmony and to recognize that all is sacred. Our presence conveys the values of simple living, compassion, and integrity of creation. Our charism, history, and vision compel us to respond to the critical needs of our times.

**We commit** to open our minds to learn from Creation's diversity and move beyond sustainable stewardship to transformative kinship.

**We commit** ourselves, our ministries, and our resources to creative actions that demonstrate resilient living and community-building.

**We commit** to living a life of connectedness by:

- creating spaces for nurturing community and the practice of contemplation and action;
- fostering a culture of care for our common home;
- listening to and engaging the young;
- embodying radical hospitality;
- promoting nonviolence;
- working to recognize and eliminate systemic injustice in all its various forms.

**We commit** to collaboration with others who desire to create healthy and safe communities where all of God's creation can thrive.

We embark on this journey for the sake of Mother Earth and for the sake of future generations.

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