



**RSHM JPIC/UN NGO Network**  
**Statement**  
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Founders are visionaries beyond their time. We want to go back to our foundational history and ask what our Founders would say about *Caring for the Earth* today.

In light of our charism and mission, we believe that our Founders would emphasize an integrated perspective in response to the pressing issues of our time. Therefore, we want to continue the journey as people who recognize the interconnectedness of the web of life, integrating the political, social, and economic challenges facing God's people today.

We affirm that our Care of the Earth is in defense of all life. This is at the heart of who we are as RSHM and needs to be expressed in all the dimensions of our life – personal, communal, ministerial and in our lifestyle.

We met in Rome in a time of great global upheaval: the brutal violence following the elections in Mozambique, the raging wildfires in Los Angeles, the floods in Brazil and the death, destruction and unending war in Gaza, Palestine and Ukraine.

We make this statement aware of all that is happening in the world, all the human crises that are rooted in the lack of respect, care and reverence for Mother Earth. These planetary crises require an urgent call for global solidarity. We reaffirm our commitment to collaboration, networking and advocacy with others who share our passion for the transformation of the world.