## **Green Sanctuary Resolution**

## We the Members of the UUCA

Recognizing the fragile and interdependent state of our Earth and all living things;

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 bring forth 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 hereby declare to one another**, to 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**, we pledge our encouragement to one another in a personal and congregational commitment to living our Seventh Principle ("Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part") by adopting the following actions:

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 maintain and improve the quality of our watershed; and

We affirm and promote programs to raise the awareness of human behaviors that affect the health and sustainability of the living Earth.

We therefore adopt the attached Environmental Sustainability Policy and authorize the Green Sanctuary Committee, in coordination with the Church administration, to submit our application to the Unitarian Universalist Ministry for Earth requesting that they accredit our church as a Green Sanctuary.

Adopted by the UUCA this 8th day of June 2008.