

Acts of the Joint Assembly of 2023

Collaborative Venture in Justice and Peace

In the spirit of this collaborative Assembly 2023, wherein we are discerning mutual matters of great importance for the Sisters of Charity of New York and the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth, we recommend that a committee comprised of representatives from both Congregations be convened to explore the feasibility of establishing and funding a collaborative structure that will support our works for Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation. This committee would be tasked with developing its mission, purpose, and scope in an effort to establish a long-term legacy for our shared charism and its joint expression moving into the future.

Charism

Together in Charity, meeting our graced future, we commit to continuing our legacy of Charity by forming a group of Sisters and Associates from each Congregation to create and/or share ongoing formation programs and resources for social media and various communication modes to foster a deeper understanding of the charism of Charity for members, partners in mission and the wider public in order to foster our mission.

Climate Change

Together in Charity, meeting our graced future, we commit to continuing our legacy of Charity by living into the vision of *Laudato Si'*. We ask both our Congregations, Sisters and Associates, and invite others to reduce our carbon footprint with a focus on our food print.

Homelessness

Together in Charity, meeting our graced future, we commit to continuing our legacy of Charity by creating a joint task force to continue sharing best practices and to explore other collaborative strategies to advocate for and minister to persons without an address.

<u>Immigration</u>

Together in Charity, meeting our graced future, we commit to continuing our legacy of Charity by forming a core committee on immigration, with representatives from New York, New Jersey, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, and other areas where we minister, to expand our understanding of immigration and to challenge ourselves to increase advocacy on systemic and direct service levels.

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Delegates of the Joint Assembly of the
Sisters of Charity of New York
and the Sisters of Charity of New Jersey