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*members of congregations  
of the Unitarian Universalist Association,  
having covenanted to affirm and promote:*

*The inherent worth and dignity  
of every person*

Therefore:

We recognize that the current economic order is unjust and does not accord full worth and dignity to all. We will stand with women, men and children of diverse class and race and orientation, particularly the exploited and dispossessed, in our common struggle for dignity and equality.

*Justice, equity and compassion  
in human relations*

We recognize our fears and resistance to crossing the barriers that separate people, barriers which undermine justice, equity and compassion. We commit ourselves to the personal and communal work necessary to overcome our resistance.

*Acceptance of one another and  
encouragement to spiritual growth  
in our congregations*

We recognize that growth and celebration of the spirit include political analysis, theological reflection and just action. We commit ourselves to that work.

*A free and responsible search  
for truth and meaning*

We seek to move beyond unexamined assumptions and questionable policies, and to become educated about the increasing inequality, its causes and potential solutions, in this time of global economic crisis.

*The right of conscience and  
the use of the democratic process  
within our congregations  
and in society at large*

We encourage inclusive dialogue and action which advance our quest for the common good. We will promote both the right of all persons to participate in decisions which affect their economic well-being, and the right to full and free access to all relevant information.

*The goal of world community with  
peace, liberty, and justice for all*

We confess our complicity in, and the benefits we derive from, structures that create violence, oppression, and inequality. We will work to enlarge our worlds beyond family, workplace, congregation and nation: community is global, citizenship is universal.

*Respect for the interdependent  
Web of all existence  
Of which we are a part*

We pledge to shape our practice to protect, and not to destroy, the living system that is the earth. We understand that economic justice can be achieved only in the context of ecological integrity.

In living these principles which form our covenant and govern our priorities, we pledge ourselves to a more inclusive community of mutual trust and support.  
We commit our resources, our energies, and our will to the creation  
of a new, powerful coalition for economic justice.

Unitarian Universalists for a Just Economic Community

