Dear [MSP NAME]

I am writing to you as a Quaker, to highlight the recent [Joint Faith Leaders’ Statement on Climate Action](https://www.christianaid.org.uk/news/climate-change/scottish-faith-leaders-unite-climate-action), which was made last Thursday 9 May.

Quakers believe there is something of God to be found in everyone and have a long tradition of social action for equality, peace and care for the earth. The climate crisis now calls us to use our skills, time and resources in support of the growing climate justice movement.

Quakers in Scotland have actively campaigned for many years for just responses to the intertwined crises of inequality and climate breakdown. We are convinced of the urgency of action on climate, both across Scotland and at a global level.

This includes taking action like building on the Loss and Damage Fund pioneered in Scotland at COP26. It means standing with those in the Global South who have been working for decades to protect their communities from exploitation and the destruction that climate breakdown is bringing.

It also means taking the action within Scotland that has been recommended by scientific experts, to limit global heating to liveable levels and to avoid the worst ‘tipping’ points in global ecological breakdown.

As Quakers, communally and personally, we commit to live out the principles of climate justice; and I want to support you, my elected representative, in taking the bold, urgent steps which are required.

My hope is that the Parliamentarians and people of Scotland will find a collective sense of trust and purpose to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions and work to restore our natural heritage.

It now appears inevitable that we will not reach the 2030 targets that were previously agreed to across Scotland’s political spectrum, but I ask you to work to ensure that their replacement remains ambitious, and that policies are put into place to go further, faster on climate action. I was heartened to see Maurice Golden’s recent motion on the urgency of climate action being supported by MSPs from different parties. I want to urge you to continue in a spirit of collaboration across party lines, working in the best interests of our country and planet.

In friendship,

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