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**Presents**  
**Sanctuaries to Save the Planet**  
**Legal and Civil Rights for Nature and Animals**

**Statement of Purpose:**

We believed that the only way to protect the biodiversity of the world is to give civil and legal rights to animals and nature. This not only includes endangered species but also the animal world in general, as well as rivers, forests and all of the ecosystems on planet earth. It is our goal to create sanctuaries where the inhabitants (plants, animals, minerals) have legal/civil rights and that any harm that comes to them would be like harming a human being, the same consequences from the law. It is our belief that the only way to preserve biodiversity is by putting nature on the equal level of humanity.

Our first sanctuaries will be designated areas that will be test models to show the international community of business and politics and eco groups that together we can protect the world we depend on for our survival.

Without Sentient Movement's sanctuaries for the Earth, we will have a world crisis in 30 years of billions of people as refugees unable to find food, shelter, bringing chaos that will crash the technological civilization being built today.

We want to protect all work being done to protect the environment. Without rights, all efforts to protect will be lost.

**Problem:**

As individuals we are disconnecting from nature. How can we love nature if we are spending 8 hours and more a day on our phone and laptops and nature is basically a walk in the park? This can't work anymore. Because we are not engaged in nature, there are others who do not have good intentions, and they are destroying species and habitats, all the things that we as a global civilization need to survive.

We need laws because nature isn't being protected, whether it is a forest, river, or animal species.

**Solution:**

The only way to really save the planet is by having a worldwide treaty which is there to protect these natural ecosystems irregardless of political change. We want to legalize human rights, but for animals and forests.

Regarding Flora and Fauna Welfare: Freedom to continue as a species. Freedom from exploitation, illegal trafficking or rare and indigenous species, torture any activity that would endanger a species' longevity.

--Soon we will post a in depth list of precautionary measures--

**Binding Global Laws To Protect**

There needs to be a meeting ground, a conclave bringing together divergent groups: industry financial service investors, grassroot activists, defenders of biodiversity, governments, the world economic forum, and the world health organization. We must come together to begin a dialogue to create a global treaty, designating specific regions on earth that can not be violated no matter what political power is in place in that specific country. And then continue protecting and defending life on planet Earth--with laws, civil and legal.

Species and nature have a chance to recuperate. This can and has been done, in Colombia.

