UNITED IN HOPE

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"Hope is the only thing stronger than fear". With this incipit, WE must try to remain united and hopeful against the most dangerous and frightening enemy that OUR world has ever fought. The fear of staying forever in this dark age can hold us prisoner, but hope can set WE us free. After this awful pandemic, WE will find a weak world with poverty, misery and lack of confidence for a better future: so, if there is a good moment for beginning to keep us hopeful and united, growing together, this is the right time. OUR generation will have to make complicated choices for trying to reform OUR countries, however until there is life, there will be hope. The most important change that WE need to perform, after the pandemic, will be the cancellation of all kind of discrimination for OUR diverse communities and minorities. OUR children will grow up and relate to all kinds of people, so WE have the moral obligation to transmit good liberal-democratic values to them. By talking to people around the globe, WE manage to stay united and hopeful, dreaming a waking dream and planning a bright future for us: and this is fantastic. Technology offers us enormous possibilities to stay in touch, even at a distance of thousands of miles, and it would be stupid not to use them. By speaking to each other WE can get rid of all the disappointments and sorrows that this terrible and invisible enemy has brought; replacing them with glorious new projects to improve ourselves and OUR society. In OUR radiant future, WE, unfortunately, will have to accept finite disappointment, but WE won't ever lose OUR infinite hope and indestructible unity. In Italy, during the past year, WE have managed to stay united and hopeful by singing from the balconies, making ourselves known all over the world. I think that the words of Pope Franciscus can convey good emotions "We must restore hope to young people, help the old, be open to the future, spread love. Be poor among the poor. We need to include the excluded and preach peace".