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THE GUARDIANS

Arise! Guardians of the web of life To mend what reckless hands have destroyed For while ye slept, the earth shed silent tears Nature's garment defiled with dross The sun's rays trapped, no room for escape The dread from burning fossil fuel gotten The forest fell, and a cry for justice echoes through the air.

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For the cause, strength and sum a small price Building artificial reefs, heeding rejuvenation's call Weaving a haven of green tapestry , a ray of hope for the Sahels To the beat of complexity, the dance of discovery necessitated

Arise! guardians of the web of life To release the trapped rays through decarbonization To trap wild use for mindful use To orchestrate a symphony of science and technology To use nature's ever-flourishing energy The young to equip as future guardians That a cause so dire may never die A future so green to secure A garden of bloom springing anew Filled with an atmosphere unblemished Flowing out a sanctified river suitable for all.