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We, at the Macedonian Young Lawyers Association, recognize the importance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and its 75 anniversary to rejuvenate its universal values and standards. Our vision is to see North Macedonia as a just, fair and equitable society where the law ensures the dignity of the people, serves the public interest and secures a sustainable and safe environment. By utilizing the power of the law, we protect and empower the disempowered, and advocate for improvements in laws and policies where individual liberties, the rule of law and the environment are fully protected. MYLA pledges:

PLEDGE NUMBER 1: We will use all our efforts for every asylum seeker to be provided with qualitative state free legal aid in the asylum procedures by 2030.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030

PLEDGE NUMBER 2: We will support stateless people in obtaining personal documentation and will advocate for the birth inscription of every born child on our territory.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030

PLEDGE NUMBER 3: We will use all our efforts to provide every citizen and CSO with the necessary legal support against environmental degradation.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030

PLEDGE NUMBER 4: We will use all our efforts to raise awareness among government officials that environmental degradation violates basic human rights such as the right to life and the right to respect private and family life.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030

PLEDGE NUMBER 5: We will support the state institutions in building an accessible and effective system for free legal aid without systematic difficulties and legal ambiguities.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030

PLEDGE NUMBER 6: We pledge for timely compensation and access to improved legal aid to victims of human trafficking.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2030