Marilyn Nydow’s Poem to Mother Earth:

I ask the living planet, Mother Earth, for forgiveness.

I ask for forgiveness of my ignorance, my greed, the endless taking from your resources.   
I ask for forgiveness of all my actions of taking without thanks or gratitude for all the water, food, trees, and all your abundant resources.     
I ask for forgiveness of not giving back as the indigenous people have when they used your resources.    
I ask for forgiveness for not listening to the warnings you gave us so long ago.  
I have taken you for granted.  I have not honored your sacredness.    
I have separated myself from Nature, believing I am in control.   
I now realize I do not control you.

Surrounded by endless smoke, fires, drought, storms, floods, tornadoes, and earthquakes, I am humbled by your strength. I stand together in the Divine Feminine, to ask for forgiveness and to call on you, Goddess and God, Angels, and Love to change my thoughts, words, and actions, that I may help to restore the damages and support your balance and well-being.

I ask this in the name of all I hold Holy/Whole.

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