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A PROCLAMATION

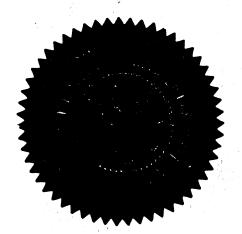
Thanksgiving Day, 1956

WHEREAS, it is traditional for us on this land of ours to join in Thanksgiving in a certain day in the month of November, for the purpose of offering thanks to the Almighty God for a year of bountiful crops, for all the work available, and for the generous effort inspired our people towards the more ample providing of the daily bread for their tables;

WHEREAS, we are, with the aid of Divine Providence, waging a battle against poverty, in an effort to achieve abundance by obtaining a higher yield from the Puerto Rican soil, and a larger output from manual labor as well as from the intelligence of all our people;

WHEREAS, our fellow citizens in the Continent commemorate on Thanksgiving Day a decisive date in the survival of the United States, and we rejoice in joining them on such significant occasion.

NOW THEREFORE, I, LUIS MUÑOZ MARIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, join the President of the United States of America in the proclamation of Thursday, November 22nd., as Thanksgiving Day, and earnestly call upon all my countrymen to sit in prayer to God, with more devotion than ever, and to hold religious and fraternal ceremonies to thank Him for His gifts and blessings bestowed upon the people of Puerto Rico, benefactions which fortify the spirit of our folk in their struggle against poverty and adversity.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico to be affixed, at the City of San Juan, this 31st. day of October, A.D., nineteen hundred and fiftysix.

(Sgd.) LUIS MUÑOZ MARIN Governor

Promulgated according to law, this 31st. day of October, 1956.

(Sgd.) N. ALMIROTY Assistant Secretary of State