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A PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO

COOPERATIVISM WEEK

WHEREAS, the people of Puerto Rico are striving to create for the present and the future a climate of liberty as will firmly establish the feeling of self-esteem and respect for the human being, and of solidarity with the human race;

whereas, this aim is the basis of the democratic way of life of the Puerto Rican people;

WHEREAS, Cooperativism constitutes the economic and social order most in harmony with this affirmation of our people's democratic ideal;

WHEREAS, the development of a strong and well-integrated Cooperative Movement, capable of serving as a regulating and dynamic element within our economy and as guarantee for a creative and serene coexistence, is being promoted in Puerto Rico;

WHEREAS, it is fitting and convenient to alert all our citizenry on the invaluable benefits that the Cooperative Movement may provide them in the struggle for the attainment of higher civilization standards;

WHEREAS, in harmony with the feeling of all free countries, July 2 has been declared International Cooperativism Day, and Puerto Rico, having attained significant achievements under the inspiring emblem of the two pines should enthusiastically join in the said celebration.

NOW THEREFORE, I, LUIS MUÑOZ MARIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, hereby proclaim the week of July 2 to 9 as Cooperativism Week, and I invite and urge all Puerto Ricans to join in celebrating the existence of the Cooperative Movement in the free world, and to offer their support to the cooperative organizations that in the different fields of economic and social action creatively enrich our people's life.

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 lst day of July, A.D. nineteen hundred and sixty.

(Sgd.) LUIS MUÑOZ MARIN Governor

Promulgated according to law, this 1st day of July, 1960.

(Sgd.) N. ALMIROTY Assistant Secretary of State