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BY THE ACTING GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH
OF PUERTO RICO

A PROCLAMATION

Cooperation Week, 1955

WHEREAS: The cooperative movement in Puerto Rico every day acquires greater importance in the life of the people;

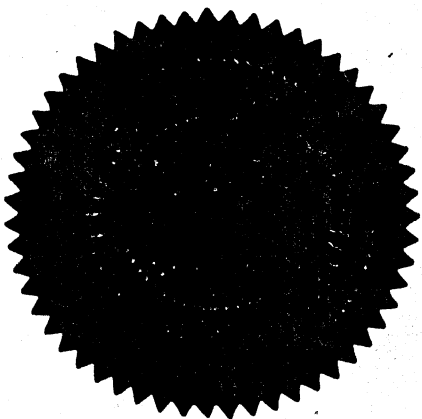
WHEREAS: Cooperativism constitutes a task of democratic militancy, interest and concern of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico;

WHEREAS: In Puerto Rico there are 216 incorporated active cooperatives operating with 79,000 associated members and an annual volume of operations of \$38 millions. Furthermore, the movement grows because of the enthusiasm of the citizens as well as from the courage inspired by the Government agencies interested in the promotion of this philosophy of human solidarity;

WHEREAS: The promotion of cooperativism makes feasible among the Puerto Ricans a sense of understanding which facilitates the exercise of democratic rights and duties directly responsible for the needs for a better world. It is evident, furthermore, that in a country such as ours, cooperativism represents a starting point toward everlasting economic achievements;

WHEREAS: The free peoples of the world, recognizing a bastion of democracy in the cooperative movement, have declared July 2 as International Cooperation Day; and Puerto Rico being a part of said international movement, it is logical that our people also join in that celebration;

NOW THEREFORE: I, ROBERTO SANCHEZ VILELLA, Acting Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, proclaim the week from July 2 to 9 as Cooperation Week, and I invite all the inhabitants of Puerto Rico to join the cooperators in exalting this great movement to its equitable extent.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here-
unto set my hand, and caused
the Great Seal of the Common-
wealth of Puerto Rico to be
affixed, at the City of San
Juan, this 28th. day of June,
A.D. nineteen hundred and
fifty-five.

(Sgd.) ROBERTO SANCHEZ VILELLA
Acting Governor

Promulgated according to law, this 28th. day of June, 1955

(Sgd.) N. ALMIROTY
Assistant Secretary of State