



ESTADO LIBRE ASOCIADO DE PUERTO RICO  
**Municipio de Salinas**  
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**RESOLUTION NUM. 4**

**SERIES 2001-2002**

**RESOLUTION BY LEGISLATIVE BODY OF MUNICIPALITY OF SALINAS TO REQUIRE THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF NORTH AMERICA, GEORGE W. BUSH, THAT BY THE POWER INVESTED ON HIM BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AS ARMED FORCES COMMANDER-IN CHIEF TO ORDER THE IMMEDIATE AND PERMANENT CEASE OF ALL MILITARY OPERATIONS IN THE ISLAND MUNICIPALITY OF VIEQUES.**

**THEREFORE:** During six decades, the United States Navy has been using the island Municipality of Vieques as a military training facility using explosive artillery.

**THEREFORE:** For the people of Vieques, this has meant that two-thirds of their island are useless for production purpose, the stagnation of their economy, the pollution of their land, air and water, the constant uneasiness and a high incidence of cancer and other illnesses.

**THEREFORE:** On April 19, 1999, our fellow countryman of the Municipality of Vieques died because of a bomb launched from a Navy plane at a target zone.

**THEREFORE:** The expressed will of 68.2% of the people of Vieques and the immense majority of the Puerto Ricans is the immediate and permanent cease of all military operations in the island Municipality of Vieques and that the people of Vieques live in peace.

**THEREFORE:** President Clinton missed the historical opportunity of acting in accordance with his expressions on favor of human rights when he failed to order the immediate and permanent cease of the bombing in the island of Vieques.

**THEREFORE:** On November 13, 2000 the three Presidents of the political parties together with the religious, civic and syndicate leadership of Puerto Rico William Jefferson Clinton to order the immediate and permanent cease of all military operations in the island Municipality of Vieques.

**THEREFORE:** President Bush has recognized the wish of the people of Vieques of ceasing the bombing and the military practices, by expressing that the Navy has to leave Vieques.

**THEREFORE:** This Legislative body of Municipality of Salinas is in solidarity with the suffering of the people of Vieques and joins the claims of the majority of Puerto Ricans to require the immediate and permanent cease of all military practices in Vieques.

**SO FOR:** **LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF MUNICIPALITY OF SALINAS, PUERTO RICO:**

**1<sup>st</sup>. Section:** To require the President of the United States of North America, George W. Bush that by the power invested on him by the Constitution of the United States as Armed Forces' commander-in-chief to order the immediate and permanent cease of all military operations in the island Municipality of Vieques.

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**2<sup>nd</sup>. Section:** To order the Secretary of the Legislative Body of Municipality of Salinas to translate this Resolution and proceed to send it to President Bush immediately.

**3<sup>rd</sup>. Section:** This Resolution will take effect immediately.

**4<sup>th</sup>. Section:** Copy of this Resolution will be sent to the Representative Chamber, to Senate of Puerto Rico and Governor.

*Abraham López*  
ROBERTO L. MERCADO COLÓN  
PRES. OF MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE

*Irís D. González Martínez*  
IRIS D. GONZÁLEZ MARTÍNEZ  
SEC. OF MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE

\_\_\_\_\_ by the Hon. Abraham López Martínez, Mayor, in \_\_\_\_\_, 2002.

ABRAHAM LÓPEZ MARTÍNEZ  
MAYOR

**C E R T I F I C A T I O N**

I, IRIS D. GONZÁLEZ MARTÍNEZ, Secretary of the Municipal Legislature of Municipality of Salinas, Puerto Rico, Certify: That the preceding is a loyal and accurate copy of the Resolution Num. 4, Series 2001-2002, be adopted by the Legislature body in Ordinary Assemble, that it was celebrate at August 15, 2001.

I certify too, that this Resolution was approved with the affirmative votes of the following Legislators that were present in that Ordinary Assemble: Roberto L. Mercado, Jacqueline Vázquez, Luis Diaz, Luz M. Espada, María E. Espada, José M. Carrillo, Luis M. Acosta, Domingo Soliván, José A. Rodríguez, Víctor Alvarado. Were oppose: Benjamin Zayas, Gilberto Reyes.

IN TESTIMONY OF IT, I make valid this certification with my signature and the official stamp of this Municipality, today August 21, 2001.

*Irís D. González Martínez*  
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SEC. OF MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE