



ESTADO LIBRE ASOCIADO DE PUERTO RICO

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**RESOLUTION NO. 32**

**SERIES 2005-2006**

**REQUESTING ALL CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO ADOPT ALL THE RECOMMENDATIONS OUTLINED IN THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE INTERANGLENCIAL OVER THE STATUS OF PUERTO RICO FROM THE WHITE HOUSE, NAMED BY THE HON. GEORGE W. BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, OF DECEMBER 22, 2005, SO THAT THIS ACT IN AN IMMEDIATE WAY ON THE SAME, PROVIDING BY MEANS OF LEGISLATION FOR THE CELEBRATION OF A PLEBISCITUM BY VIRTUE OF WHICH THE TOWN OF PUERTO RICO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF BEING EXPRESSED IF DESIRES TO REMAIN LIKE A TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES, SUBJECT TO THE WILL OF CONGRESS OR IF DESIRES CONSTITUTIONALLY VIALABLE COURSE TOWARD A NOT TERRITORIAL PERMANENT STATUS WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.**

**IN ACCOUNT OF:**

To ends of the year 2000, to request of the Government of Puerto Rico and in view of the result of the Plebiscite of the 1998, the then President, Hon. William J. Clinton, established, through the Executive Order 13183, the "President's Task Force on Puerto Rico's Status" for the purpose of studying the political situation in the Island and to create a report on alternatives of status for Puerto Rico. More still, the President William Jefferson Clinton, with the aid of the Congress of the United States of America, approved a departure of \$2.5 million federal funds to educate the Puerto Ricans voters about the existing alternatives with around al political status of Puerto Rico.

**IN ACCOUNT OF:**

January 18, 2001, through communication written and consonous with the creation of the "Task Force" of White House, the Department of Federal Justice sent a memorandum of right al President of the Committee of Energy and Natural Resources of the Federal Congress on the constitutional viability of many of the elements that have been presented al Town like part of the three alternatives of It dominated in Puerto Rico by the last years. Still when the same one is totally consistent with presentations and legal memorandums presented by the Department of Federal Justice since 1959, as by Justice Secretaries past expressions, such as Richard Thornburgh, the memorandum is extremely significant by the form in which analyzes in detail each option, questioning even the

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constitutionality and legitimacy of diverse promises carried out in the past.

**IN ACCOUNT OF:**

Consonous with the Executive Order 13183, December 5, 2003, the President George W. Bush, amended and at the same time activated formally its Committee Interagency on the Status of Puerto Rico. The same one established as priority seeks like better to attend and to resolve so complex problem and to guarantee that you formulate them that they are felt him to the Puerto Ricans be not territorial, constitutionally viable that respond al just claim of full own government on the part of the Puerto Ricans. This new Executive Order imposed besides the obligation al Committee Interagency to report al President, when necessary, all it related to this priority matter not less than one time every other year.

**IN ACCOUNT OF:**

In the 2004, before the historic reality and politics in which we find us, the Town of Puerto Rico decided to offer a clear mandate with regard to the public politics to continue to obtain a solution al centennial problem of the status of Puerto Rico. To those effects, the Tenth Fifth Legislative Assembly of Puerto Rico complied with so priority commission twice. First, when it achieved the historic consensus and without coming that carried to the so much, unanimous approval in the House of Representatives as in the Senate of Puerto Rico, of the Substitute Project to the Projects of the Camera 1014, 1054 and 1058. Second, when it approved the Concurrent Resolution of the Camera 25, by means of which him was offered a clear mandate al President George W. Bush and al Congress of the United States of America so that these to exercise its prerogatives and constitutional faculties with regard to its fellow citizens that reside in Puerto Rico.

**IN ACCOUNT OF:**

Thursday December 22, 2005, the President George W. Bush complied exactly with his reliable commitment to direct the process for the self-determination of the town of Puerto Rico by means of the presentation of the Report of the Committee Interagency On the Status of Puerto Rico. The presentation of this Report constitutes a transcendental and significant step in the arduous path that have had that to free as town for the sake of reaching our dream by a fully democratic worthy status. This Report, product of the genuine and serious effort of various officials of the Federal Government, offers three recommendations to

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continue for the Congress of the United States of America, not without before leaving clearly the constitutional and historic base in which its recommendations were supported.

**IN ACCOUNT OF:**

To those effects, the Committee Interagency recognized that the constitutional authority to establish a not territorial permanent status with regard to Puerto Rico resides in the Congress of the United States of America. Still when express that the territorial present status can continue in an indefinite way, is affirmed that only two not territorial options recognized by the Constitution of the United States of America that guarantee a permanent status between the town of Puerto Rico and the Government of the United States of America the one that are the Statehood and the Independence. Even though, it leaves clearly that any change in the political status of our Island has to be product of the express will of the Puerto Ricans. It concludes that the present status does not constitute a not territorial option recognized by the Constitution of the United States of America, neither is a permanent relation between the United States of America and Puerto Rico.

**IN ACCOUNT OF:**

To achieve the objective that pursues this Report of the Committee Interagency, there are three recommendations. First, that inside the next year, the Congress of the United States of America respond to the democratic aspirations of the Puerto Ricans providing by means of legislation for the celebration of a plebiscite, by virtue of which the town of Puerto Rico have the opportunity of being expressed if desires to remain like a territory of the United States subject to the will of the Congress of the United States of America, or a constitutionally viable course toward a not territorial permanent status with the United States. Second, that if the town of Puerto Rico decides to be directed toward a not territorial permanent status, the Congress should provide for an additional plebiscite, by means of which the Puerto Ricans we can choose between the two not territorial permanent options, to know, the Statehood or the Independence. Once the town to choose its option preferred, the Congress should offer a process of transition toward said option. Third, that if the town decides to remain like territory, the Committee Interagency recommends that, consistent with the still in force Memorandum of November 30, 1992 of the President George H. W. Bush, periodic plebiscites be carry out for the sake of maintaining al Congress of the United States of America reporting on the to feel of the town of Puerto Rico.

**IN ACCOUNT OF:**

This Municipal Legislature is pronounced according to the expressions of the Committee Interagency On the Status of Puerto Rico and requests al Congress of the United States of America that adopt the report integrally. The centennial problem of status of Puerto Rico maintains us in a position

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of unacceptable, colonial character to the height of the 21st century. The representative and political rights of the Puerto Ricans owe vindicarse with the adoption of the recommendations of the report on the part of the Congress of the United States of America and the approval of federal legislation that give start all process prescribed said in this report.

**THEREFORE:**

**IT BE RESOLVED FOR THIS MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE OF SALINAS PUERTO RICO, MET IN ORDINARY SESSION TODAY, DAY FEBRUARY 17, 2006.**

**1 ST SECTION:**

To Request, as by the present is requested, of the Congress of the United States of America that adopt all the recommendations outlined in the Report of the Committee Interagency On the Status of Puerto Rico of the White House, named by the Hon. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America and emitted December 22, 2005.

**2 ND SECTION:**

To Request, as by the present is requested, that the Congress of the United States of America act in an immediate way as for the first recommendation of the Presidential Report, and call a plebiscite in which al town of Puerto Rico be asked him that express if desires to remain like a subject American territory to the will of the Congress of the United States of America, or A constitutionally viable path toward a not territorial permanent status, you defined by the presidential report as the Statehood or the Independence.

**3 RD SECTION:**

To elect the Puerto Rican town to be directed to a not territorial permanent status, the Congress of the United States of America, owes then, to act on the second recommendation of the Presidential Report and to provide an additional plebiscite authorizing al Town of Puerto Rico to choose between one of the two not territorial permanent options: the Statehood or the Independence. Once the Town chooses one of said options, the Congress of the United States of America should begin a process of transition toward the option selected.

**4 TH SECTION:**

The Municipal Legislature of Salinas, Puerto Rico, that represents on 31,000.00 fellow citizens of this Municipality, will give all its support to the attainment of the recommendations emitted in the presidential report.

**5 TH SECTION:**

This Resolution went into effect immediately after its approval and copy of the same one in the language groins, al will be notified President of the United States of America, Hon. George W. Bush; al Committee Interagency On the Status of Puerto Rico of the White House; to the leaders of the Majority and of the Minority of the Senate and the House of Representatives, of the Congress of the

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United States of America, through ours Commissioned Resident in Washington D.C. Hon. Luis Fortuño with the order that be published in the Registration of the Congress, and envoy to the mass media.

## 6 TH SECTION:

To arrange, as by the present is arranged, so that copies of this Resolution be shipment, besides, to all the members of the 15<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly of Puerto Rico.

*Gilberto Reyes Suárez*  
**GILBERTO REYES SUAREZ**  
 PRE. MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE

*Maria I. Torres Torres*  
**MARÍA I. TORRES TORRES**  
 SEC. INT. MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE

It signed by the **Hon. Carlos J. Rodriguez Mateo, MD**, Mayor to the 21 day of the month of March of 2006.

*Carlos J. Rodriguez Mateo*  
**CARLOS J. RODRIGUEZ MATEO**  
 MAYOR

## CERTIFICATION

I, **MARÍA I. TORRES TORRES**, Temporary Secretary of the Municipal Legislature of Salinas, Puerto Rico, I **CERTIFY**: That the one that precedes is copies faithful and exact of the Resolution No. 32, Series 2005-2006 adopted by the Municipal Legislature of Salinas, Puerto Rico in the Cont. Ordinary session celebrated the day February 17, 2006.

It is certified besides, that said Resolution was approved by the affirmative votes of the following present Legislators in said Session: **Honorable: Gilberto Reyes Suárez, Francisco Baerga Vázquez, Ignacio Del Valle Alvarado, Marta Cortez Dávila, Mildred Manzanet Navarro, Howard Rivera López, Eris Torres Rivera, Melvin Torres Ortiz, Ismael Ortiz López, José M. Moon Nazario, Gerónimo Colón** fertile plain. **In against: Jacqueline Vázquez Suárez and Roberto Mercado Colón.**

Absent: Hon. Emilio Nieves Torres.

**IN TESTIMONY OF WHICH**, Book the present certification under my firm and official seal of this Municipality, today 21 of March of 2006.

*Maria I. Torres Torres*  
**MARÍA I. TORRES TORRES**  
 SEC. INT. MUNICIPAL LEGISLATURE