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COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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I, **BRUNILDA ORTIZ RODRÍGUEZ**, Secretary of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, hereby CERTIFY that the House of Representatives, meeting in Session on Thursday, March 13th of this year, and at the request of the Representative, Honorable José F. Aponte Hernández, passed House Resolution 7795, which reads as follows:

Resolution

To express the most well-deserved recognition on behalf of the House of Representatives of Puerto Rico, of the Puerto Rico Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and, especially, the Fellows of said organization, who, because of their lengthy history of service to our citizenry, have ennobled the name of our Island.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Federal Bar Association is a not for profit organization established in Washington, D.C. in 1954. This prestigious professional association joins together judges and attorneys practicing before the courts and agencies of the Federal Government. Today it has over 16,000 members and 80 local chapters throughout the United States.

The Federal Bar Association distinguishes itself for its commitment and dedication to serving the legal community in general. In that function, it constantly offers educational seminars, social activities to foster fellowship among members and judges, educational and civic experiences for the general public and serves as a liaison between its members and the judiciary.

Puerto Rico has the honor of having one of the most active and renowned chapters in all the Nation. Today, this Chapter constitutes the third largest in the entire Association. It also has 3 student chapters at the Schools of Law on our Island.

Starting in 2002, the honor was established of designating its most distinguished members as "Fellows" of the Federal Bar Association. These are judges and lawyers who, over the years, have selflessly offered service for the good of the Association and its members. Puerto Rico has the privilege of having the most numerous group of Fellows in all the Nation. Among them are the Hon. Juan R. Torruella; Hon. Daniel R. Domínguez; Hon. Gustavo A. Gelpí; Hon. Hector M. Laffitte; Hon. Camilla [sic] Vélez Rivé; Rafael E. Aguiló Vélez, Esq.; Ricardo E. Casellas, Esq.; Alfredo A. Castellanos, Esq.; Russell A. Del Toro Sosa; Veronica Ferraiuoli, Esq.; José A. Fuentes Agostini, Esq.; Arturo J. García Solá, Esq.; Gustavo A. Gelpí, Sr., Esq.; David C. Indiano, Esq.; Joseph C. Laws, Jr., Esq.; Nestor Méndez Gómez, Esq.; Dora L. Monserrate, Esq.; Luis M. Nido, Esq.; James D. Noel, Esq.; Eric Pérez Ochoa, Esq.; Manuel A. Quilichini, Esq.; and Roberto Santana Aparicio, Esq.

That is why, with only a fews days to go before the semiannual meeting of the Federal Bar Association to be held in Arlington, Virginia on March 28th and 29th, the House of Representatives of Puerto Rico deems it most meritorious to recognize the distinguished work of this very prestigious organization, both in Puerto Rico and throughout the entire United States.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.-To express the most well-deserved recognition of the Puerto Rico Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and, especially, the Fellows of that organization, who, because of their lengthy history of service to our citizenry, have ennobled the name of our Island.

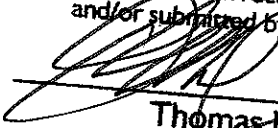
Section 2.-A copy of this Resolution, made out on parchment paper, shall be delivered to all the Fellows of the Puerto Rico Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, in witness of this recognition.

In witness whereof, I now issue this proclamation and set my hand and seal hereto, at San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 13th day of March, 2008.

*[embossed seal of the
House of Representatives
of Puerto Rico]*

[signature]
BRUNILDA ORTIZ RODRIGUEZ
Secretary
House of Representatives

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HON. JOSÉ F. APONTE HERNÁNDEZ
Speaker
House of Representatives

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