



February 19, 2015

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The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.  
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The Honorable Tom Marino  
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Chairman Goodlatte:

On behalf of the National Puerto Rican Coalition, Inc. (NPRC), the premier national Hispanic non-profit non-partisan organization that represents the interest of all Puerto Ricans on the mainland and the Island, I would like to express our support for H.R. 870 – The Puerto Rico Chapter 9 Uniformity Act of 2015. Since 1977, NPRC's mission is to enhance the social and economic well-being of all Puerto Ricans through policy development, research, advocacy, civic engagement, and education.

We believe that H.R. 870 will provide the Puerto Rico government a "tried-and-true legal" tool, currently enjoyed by other municipalities, which would allow insolvent government-owned corporations to restructure their debts as a last resort.

NPRC praises the leadership of Resident Commissioner Pedro Pierluisi for piloting this legislation. We hope we can also count on your leadership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rafael A. Fantauzzi', written over a horizontal line.

Rafael A. Fantauzzi  
President and CEO