



## *League of United Latin American Citizens*

### **Resolution on Puerto Rico's Health Care System**

**WHEREAS,** Puerto Rican are American Citizens and pay the same for Social Security and Medicare taxes as the other fifty states, but get less benefits and reimbursements, and

**WHEREAS,** Federal Healthcare Funding .rates for Puerto Rico are half the rate of what the Mainland States receive, yet theses USA Citizens pay Medicare taxes the same amount as the Mainland residents, and

**WHEREAS,** This funding gap will only increase after the implementation of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recent 11% cut to Puerto Rico's MA premiums effective in 2016, and

**WHEREAS,** While CMS approved these dramatic cuts for Puerto Ricans, at the same time it increase rates for the 50 Mainland Sates by 3%, and

**WHEREAS,** Severe underfunding to Puerto Rico Healthcare system is pushing it to brink of collapse. This is blatant discrimination means that the Healthcare is the verge of collapse.

**WHEREAS,** The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), is a leader in the struggle for civil rights and always supports Puerto Rico.

**Therefore Be Resolved,** To support the claim of the Puerto Rico Healthcare Crisis Coalition and the effort of Puerto Rico Resident Commissioner Hon. Pedro Pierluisi call on President Obama to intervene and take immediate action to prevent eminent collapse of the Puerto Rico Health Care System.

Voted and approved by the delegates at the 2015 National LULAC Convention on July 11, 2015.

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