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The National Puerto Rican Chamber of Commerce (NPR Chamber)

Friday, May 20, 2022 - Washington, D.C. - The National Puerto Rican Chamber of Commerce commends Congressional Leaders on the historic introduction of the "Puerto Rico Status Act" that would allow Puerto Ricans to determine the political future of the archipelago by finally defining their status.

We applaud and support this bipartisan effort by Majority Leader Steny H. Hoyer (MD-08), Chairwoman Nydia M. Velázquez, House Committee on Small Business (NY-07), Chairman Raúl M. Grijalva, House Committee on Natural Resources (AZ-03), Rep. Darren Soto (FL-09), Resident Commissioner Jenniffer González-Colón (PR-AL) and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (NY-14).

"We thank the Congressional Leaders on both sides of the aisle for coming together on this comprise which aims to put an end to Puerto Rico's century-long political limbo. Both sides had to make some concessions, but this was something we always knew would be necessary. We applaud them for setting aside their difference for the betterment of Puerto Rico and its people. The NPR Chamber team will continue to support the bill's passage in Congress as we believe it to be the foundation for any true Economic Development in Puerto Rico after decades of recession, austerity measures, and natural disasters," said the National Puerto Rican Chamber of Commerce National Director of Operations, Joel Berrocal.

The 'Puerto Rico Status Act' will allow Puerto Ricans to vote to choose non-territorial options like independence, free association, and statehood.

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