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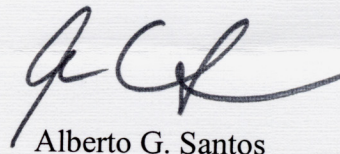
Dear Friends:

I am honored to endorse the Portuguese American Citizenship Project's mission of promoting United States citizenship and civic participation among the Portuguese American community.

From my own personal experience as a naturalized citizen, I appreciate the value and importance of the rights and privileges of being a citizen of the United States. By exercising the privileges of citizenship, such as the right to vote and to run for public office, we assure that our voices will be heard and our rights protected. Citizenship is also a responsibility calling for patriotism and participation in government and community.

As a local elected official, I wholeheartedly support the fundamental principles of freedom and opportunity and endorse the efforts of this very important endeavor. The results achieved thus far by the Portuguese American Citizenship Project serve as an example of what can be accomplished through hard work and determination.

Very truly yours,



Alberto G. Santos