

Resolution Regarding Conversion of Public Housing to Housing Cooperatives

Whereas current housing policy is demolishing or abandoning public housing developments or proposing to privatize them;

Whereas there is history of conversion of affordable Lanham Act war time housing into long standing affordable housing cooperatives; and examples of such conversions of public housing developments;

Whereas there is an incomparable history of the survival and perpetuation of FHA insured cooperative housing under Sections 213, 221(d)(3) and Section 236, supporting the conclusion that affordable cooperative housing is the best, and possible sole, means of creating and perpetuating long term democratically controlled housing at the least cost;

NOW THEREFORE, NAHC members assembled at its annual meeting in Puerto Rico adopt the position that the organization, state governments and federal government should aggressively pursue policies to convert existing public housing developments into housing cooperative emphasizing the goal of mixed income occupancy.