

(H. B. 1758)

(No. 181)

(Approved September 1, 2006)

AN ACT

To declare as a site of historical interest the house of *Don Delfín Benítez* in the Municipality of Loíza, for its conservation, use and enjoyment by the People of Puerto Rico.

STATEMENT OF MOTIVES

The house of *Don Delfín Benítez* has a very special meaning in the history of the Municipality of Loíza. In April 1963, it began to be used as a meeting place for a group of *loiceños* interested in gathering and preserving any documents and historic artifacts related to the origins and the history of the settlement of the town of Loíza back in 1719.

The civic movement of this group of *loiceños* interested in preserving so important a patrimony achieved the reestablishment of Loíza as a Municipality and the creation of the Municipality of Canóvanas.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF PUERTO RICO:

Section 1.- The house of *Don Delfín Benítez* in the Municipality of Loíza, is hereby declared as a site of historical interest for its conservation, use and enjoyment by the People of Puerto Rico.

Section 2.- The Planning Board, the Institute of Puerto Rican Culture, and the Municipality of Loíza shall take the necessary measures for ensuring full compliance with this legislation.

Section 3.- This Act shall take effect immediately after its approval.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify to the Secretary of State that the following Act No. 181 (H.B. 1758) of the 4th Session of the 15th Legislature of Puerto Rico:

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has been translated from Spanish to English and that the English version is correct.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, today 8th of December of 2006.

Francisco J. Domenech
Director