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## RESOLUTION

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# HOUSING PROGRAMS IN THE AMERICAS

## THE 13<sup>rd</sup> DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Bearing in mind that in the discussions held and in the resolutions adopted in recent years for the purpose of promoting the economic and social development of Latin America, which found expression in the decisions taken at Bogotá and Punta del Este, health has been acknowledged as a basic component of social and economic development;

Bearing in mind that, as a consequence of these decisions, funds have been allocated for the activities to be developed, and the areas in which major emphasis will be given to such activities have been defined;

Considering that these activities include housing, which is one of the essential factors for satisfying the basic needs of human life;

Considering that varied and complex factors of an economic, social, financial, and technical nature enter into the solution of the housing problem, and that in the formulation of a plan of operations and of practical recommendations consideration should be given primarily to general health aspects of housing as a social and economic problem; and

Considering both the foregoing statements and the resolutions already approved by the World Health Assembly,

#### **RESOLVES**

To request the Director to make the necessary provision within the program and budget of the Pan American Health Organization to enable the Organization to begin to collaborate actively in the formulation and development of housing programs in the Continent, in cooperation with the agencies of the United Nations and of the Inter-American System that are responsible for the technical and financial aspects of the housing problem.

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