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Dear Mr. Mujica:

We hope this letter finds you well. As part of the annual appropriations process in the Legislative Assembly, the House of the Representatives approved, on June 6, the House Joint Resolution 454 (HJR-454), that establishes the budget for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

The Senate approved HJR-454, with amendments, on June 14, and yesterday the House didn’t concur with those amendments and designated a conference committee to resolve the differences between both chambers.

We are formally requesting to the Financial Oversight and Management Board (FOMB), as we have done previously, to certify if the approved versions of both the House and the Senate of HJR-454 are consistent with the Fiscal Plan approved by the FOMB. This is a crucial step before either the House or the Senate can approve the final conference committee report.

The Legislative Assembly has the highest interest in complying with the calendar established by the FOMB to approve a budget resolution for the next fiscal year, so that we can have a third consecutive balanced budget approved by both chambers and certified by the FOMB.
As we finish this legislative session on June 30, we want to build on the progress already made in stabilizing the government finances and promulgate a budget that prioritizes essential services to the people of Puerto Rico.

Sincerely,

Rafael Hernández Montañez
Speaker
House of Representatives

Marially Gonzalez Huertas
President Pro Tempore
Senate of Puerto Rico