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# NATIONAL DAY AGAINST RACISM AND ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION: AN OPPORTUNITY TO REFLECT

Today, on the National Day against Racism and all forms of Discrimination, it is essential to remember that all people deserve equal rights and opportunities, regardless of their gender, ethnic origin, origin, religion, sexual orientation, or any other characteristic that differentiates them.

Although almost twelve years have passed since the enactment of Law 139 that establishes this special day in Bolivia, we must recognize that acts of racism and discrimination persist in our country. These acts are not limited only to the individual sphere but are also present at a collective and even institutional level. Somehow it seems that, in the face of new social, political, and economic circumstances and situations, our way of thinking, feeling, and acting continues to be motivated by the rejection of those who are different, thus perpetuating inequalities.

In a country as diverse as ours, it is essential to value the wealth that resides in our differences and to bet on a society in which racism, discrimination, and any form of intolerance cease to be a reality and an obstacle to the development of new generations. It is time to become aware of entrenched prejudices and work together to eradicate them. We can generate new forms of coexistence based on empathy, the visibility of others, and the determination to act against any act of racism or discrimination.

At PPO, we renew our commitment to work for an inclusive and just society, in which all people are valued and respected equally. We seek diversity to be celebrated through the sharing of infinite talents, ideas, and perspectives. Let us fight for respect for ourselves and for who we are, thus building a better future.



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