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TO CLERKS OF COURTS EXERCISING
JURISDICTION IN NATURALIZATION PROCEEDINGS:

Clerks of courts exercising jurisdiction in naturalization proceedings will please disregard any request or direction heretofore made by any officer of this Division or of the Department, whereby such clerks are called upon to refuse to receive or file declarations of intention and petitions for naturalization by reason of any meaning hitherto given by the Division of Naturalization to the words, white persons and persons of African nativity or decent, as used in section 2169, R.S.

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Approved:

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