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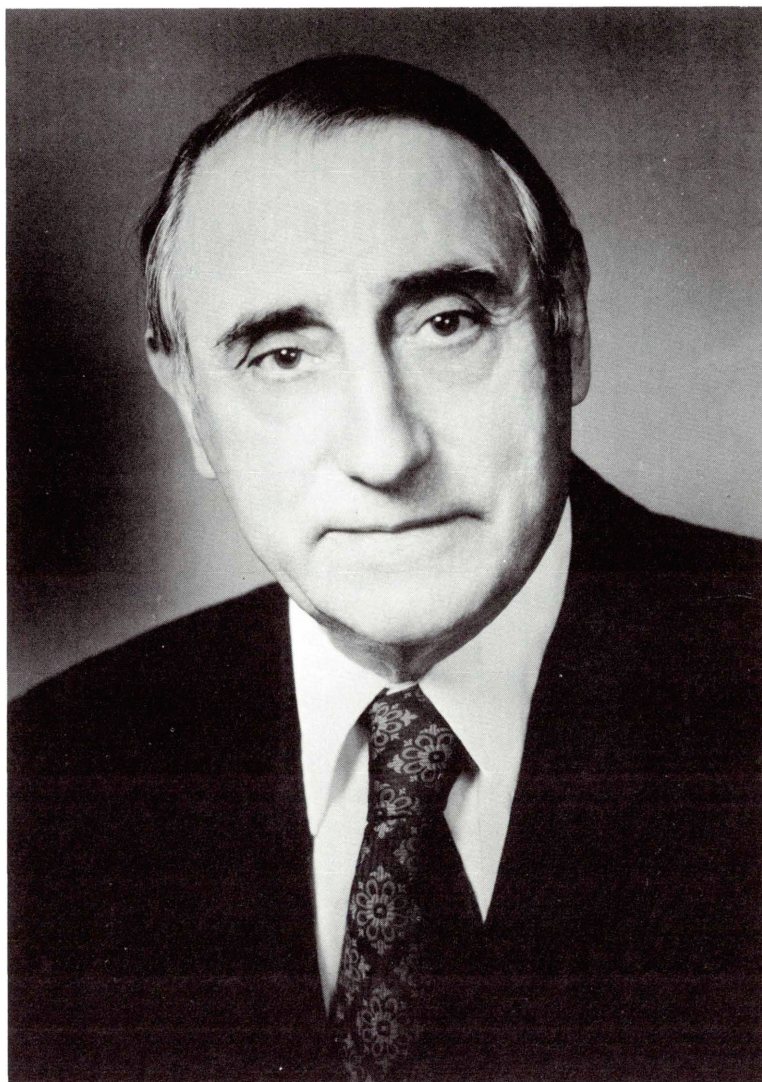
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*Louis A. Saputo*

# Louis A. Saporito

1972-1973

Doctor Saporito, of Newark, New Jersey, became the one-hundred-and-ninth president of the Association at the 1972 meeting in San Francisco. The House of Delegates adopted policies regarding Health Maintenance Organizations and the use of radiographs in dental care programs.

Doctor Saporito served the Association for six years as a member of the Board of Trustees and for eight years as a member of the House of Delegates. He was first vice president during 1963-1964. Doctor Saporito was a general practitioner and an educator. He was an instructor in dentistry and oral surgery at Columbia University School of Dental and Oral Surgery from 1922 to 1948, and later was assistant clinical professor in dentistry at the university. He was born in 1899 in New Jersey.

A total ban on oil exports to the United States was imposed by Arab oil-producing nations in October 1973; it lasted five months. President Nixon ordered a freeze on retail prices on June 13, 1973. Egyptian and Syrian forces attacked the Israelis in the Sinai Peninsula and the Golan Heights. There were heavy troop and materiel losses on both sides before the cease-fire 18 days later. President Nixon said on nationwide radio and television that he was not involved in the Watergate break-in. The same day three of his top aides resigned: H. R. Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman and John W. Dean III. Spiro T. Agnew resigned as vice president and pleaded no contest to charges of income tax evasion.