TOWN OF HEMPSTEAD

WHEREAS, the Town of Hempstead does desire to recognize all outstanding organizations and events occurring within our borders; and

WHEREAS, the Italian Heritage and Culture Committee of New York (IHCC-NY) is celebrating Italian Heritage Month in October by sponsoring and promoting a wide range of events to honor the profound legacy of Italy; and

WHEREAS, since 1976, the IHCC-NY has brought people together throughout our region to encourage understanding and appreciation of Italian and Italian-American achievements, to explore history and contemporary issues, and to share and enjoy many facets of Italian culture through film, theater, concerts, exhibitions, seminars and more; and

WHEREAS, the theme for this year's celebration is Dante's 700th Anniversary, celebrating his divine contributions to Italian culture, poetry and philosophy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Supervisor Donald X. Clavin, Jr., do hereby proclaim October as

Italian Heritage & Culture Month

here in the Town of Hempstead and encourage our residents to join in celebrating the history, culture, and achievements of Italians and Italian-Americans.