

NEW YORK STATE
SENATE



Proclamation

CELEBRATING THE 45TH ANNIVERSARY
OF ITALIAN HERITAGE & CULTURE MONTH IN NEW YORK

WHEREAS, In the course of the evolving development of this Empire State, there have emerged, among its distinguished citizens, certain organizations which warrant special recognition; and

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Legislative Body to commend the illustrious organizations of the State of New York, the focus and intent of which have made a substantial impact on the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, Attendant to such concern, I, New York State Senator Diane J. Savino, am justly proud to join the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York, Inc. in commemorating the 45th anniversary of Italian Heritage & Culture Month in New York; and

WHEREAS, This October will mark the 45th anniversary of Italian Heritage & Culture Month in New York; the Board members of the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York, Inc. volunteer their efforts each year to facilitate an array of events and programs throughout the New York metropolitan area and beyond; and

WHEREAS, For more than four decades, this dedicated group of educators and Italian American advocates have come together to celebrate and educate the wider community regarding the many cultural and heritage contributions of Italians and Italian Americans; and

WHEREAS, For the year 2021, the theme is DANTE 700! Celebrating the Genius Dante; The Great Poet Who Unified Italy through Language; and

WHEREAS, Dante's importance includes his being the first to use the Florentine vernacular in a major literary work, rather than Latin, which had been accessible to only the well-educated; this was an incredible act, which enabled a wider audience among the populous, and, even more importantly, established Italian as the accepted national language, unifying the people of Italy across diverse regions; and

WHEREAS, Over its distinguished forty-five year history, the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York, Inc. has demonstrated continuous service to the residents and communities which it serves; now, therefore, be it

PROCLAIMED, That I, New York State Senator Diane J. Savino, join in celebrating the 45th anniversary of Italian Heritage & Culture Month in New York; and be it further

PROCLAIMED, That a copy of this proclamation be transmitted to the Italian Heritage & Culture Committee of New York, Inc.

DATED:

JULY 2021

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND SIGNATURE

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Diane J. Savino".

DIANE J. SAVINO

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR
23RD SENATE DISTRICT

