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Bill 60

(Chapter 27 of the Statutes of Ontario, 2017)

An Act to proclaim the month of November Lebanese Heritage Month

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Ontario is home to a large and vibrant Lebanese community. Ever since the late 19th century, when the first Lebanese immigrants arrived in Canada, the Lebanese Canadian community throughout Ontario has made and continues to make significant contributions across all fields including in science, education, medicine, law, politics, business, sports and culture. Lebanese Canadians play an integral role in communities across Ontario and truly enrich the multicultural diversity of the province.

November is a significant month for the Lebanese community. Each year in November, Lebanese people around the world celebrate Lebanese Independence Day in commemoration of their nation gaining independence on November 22, 1943.

By proclaiming the month of November as Lebanese Heritage Month, the Province of Ontario recognizes the meaningful contributions Lebanese Canadians have made to Ontario's social, economic, political and cultural fabric. Lebanese Heritage Month is an opportunity to remember, celebrate and educate future generations about Lebanese Canadians and their continuing role in helping to foster growth, prosperity and innovation throughout Ontario.

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

Lebanese Heritage Month

1 The month of November in each year is proclaimed as Lebanese Heritage Month.

Commencement

2 This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

Short title

3 The short title of this Act is the *Lebanese Heritage Month Act, 2017*.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

*This Explanatory Note was written as a reader's aid to Bill 60 and does not form part of the law.
Bill 60 has been enacted as Chapter 27 of the Statutes of Ontario, 2017.*

The Bill proclaims the month of November in each year as Lebanese Heritage Month.