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No. 603

An Act to proclaim the month of September as Ukrainian Heritage Month

(Assented to)

Preamble

WHEREAS Saskatchewan is home to people from a diverse range of cultural, religious and ethnic backgrounds from all over the world, including Ukraine.

WHEREAS the first Ukrainian family immigrated to Canada in September 1891. Since then, people of Ukrainian origin have immigrated to Canada and made this country their home. Saskatchewan has been, and remains, a safe haven for many Ukrainians fleeing persecution, violence, war, and oppression.

WHEREAS Ukrainian-Canadians have helped build Saskatchewan. There are over 160,000 Saskatchewanians of Ukrainian heritage in our province that have contributed significantly to Saskatchewan social, cultural, political and economic fabric. These include leaders from every walk of life: veterans, farmers, innovators, and a premier.

WHEREAS by proclaiming the month of September as Ukrainian Heritage Month, the Province of Saskatchewan recognizes that September 7th marks the anniversary of the first documented Ukrainians arriving in Canada and affirms Ukraine's right to be an independent and sovereign country.

HIS MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

Short title

1 *The Ukrainian Heritage Month Act.*

Ukrainian Heritage Month

2 The month of September each year is proclaimed as Ukrainian Heritage Month.

Coming into force

3 This Act comes into force on Assent.

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Thirtieth Legislature

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First time

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And Passed

Mr. Keith Jorgenson

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The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
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