



Proclamation

Italian Heritage Month

June 2026

Whereas Canada is home to the fourth largest population of Italian diaspora with 1.5 million people with Italian ancestry. Aurora is home to many ethnicities, and cross-cultural understandings, we are inclusive and respectful to our neighbours of all creeds, genders, religions and cultures. The Italian-Canadian community of Ontario is proud to celebrate their rich history with others, it strengthens the tapestry of multiculturalism; and

Whereas on October 7, 2010, the Legislature of the Province of Ontario passed Bill 103 into law declaring June as Italian Heritage Month. This month of June is an opportunity to celebrate and recognize the contributions, culture and sacrifices Italians have made in shaping Aurora, Ontario and Canada's past, present and future. A culture that is thousands of years old; and

Whereas the Town of Aurora recognizes the significant, and long-lasting contributions and achievements that those of Italian descent have made to strengthen our society and contribute to our Town.

Therefore be it resolved that, on behalf of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora, I, Mayor Tom Mrakas, do hereby proclaim **June 2026** as **Italian Heritage Month** in the Town of Aurora.

Tom Mrakas
Mayor