

# HOUSE BILL 117

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By: **Delegate Mangione**

Requested: June 7, 2024

Introduced and read first time: January 8, 2025

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **General Provisions – Commemorative Months – Italian Heritage Month**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor annually to proclaim a certain month as Italian  
4 Heritage Month; requiring the proclamation to urge certain organizations to observe  
5 Italian Heritage Month properly; and generally relating to Italian Heritage Month.

6 BY renumbering

7 Article – General Provisions

8 Section 7–507

9 to be Section 7–508

10 Annotated Code of Maryland

11 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

12 BY adding to

13 Article – General Provisions

14 Section 7–507

15 Annotated Code of Maryland

16 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
18 That Section(s) 7–507 of Article – General Provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland  
19 be renumbered to be Section(s) 7–508.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read  
21 as follows:

22 **Article – General Provisions**

23 **7–507.**

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           **(A) THE GOVERNOR ANNUALLY SHALL PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF OCTOBER**  
2 **AS ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH IN RECOGNITION OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT**  
3 **ITALIAN AMERICANS HAVE MADE TO THE STATE.**

4           **(B) THE PROCLAMATION SHALL URGE EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL**  
5 **ORGANIZATIONS TO OBSERVE ITALIAN HERITAGE MONTH PROPERLY WITH**  
6 **APPROPRIATE PROGRAMS, CEREMONIES, AND ACTIVITIES.**

7           SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
8 1, 2025.