

# Proclamation

**Whereas**, Arab-Americans have made valuable contributions to virtually every aspect of American life in science, medicine, education, business, culture and government; and

**Whereas**, the works of many talented Arab-American artists and writers grace museums and libraries throughout the United States; and

**Whereas**, since the first Arab immigrant came to these shores more than a century ago, men and women of Arab descent have shared with us their rich history and traditions of Arab culture; and

**Whereas**, with pride in their ethnic heritage and with great faith in the principles upon which this country was founded, Arab-Americans have added to the strength and diversity of American society; and

**Whereas**, Arab-Americans occupy positions of leadership and responsibility throughout our system of government, setting a fine example of public service at the local, State, and national level; and

**Whereas**, Arab-Americans have also enriched our Nation and State with the quiet power of strong families and close-knit communities; and

**Whereas**, many Arab-Americans have come to the United States in search of the blessings of peace and freedom; and

**Whereas**, Arab-Americans have quickly seized the opportunities life in this free and democratic country affords, yet they have not forgotten their ancestral homelands; and

**Whereas**, industrious and determined, Arab-Americans have helped give a more profound understanding of the rights and responsibilities we have as citizens of a free and prosperous Nation.

**Now, Therefore be it Proclaimed**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Prospect Park that the month of April to be Arab-American Heritage Month in the Borough of Prospect Park.



Mayor Mohamed T. Khairullah

Attest:



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Municipal Clerk

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