

Jewish Heritage Month Canada Legislation

BILL S-232

An Act respecting Canadian Jewish Heritage Month

AS PASSED

BY THE SENATE

MAY 16, 2017

Preamble

Whereas the Jewish population in Canada is approximately 400,000 people, making it the fourth-largest Jewish population in the world;

Whereas the Canadian Jewish community has made significant contributions to the growth and prosperity of Canada while overcoming tremendous obstacles;

Whereas the month of May is meaningful for the Jewish community around the world;

Whereas, by designating the month of May as Canadian Jewish Heritage Month, the Parliament of Canada recognizes the important contributions that Jewish Canadians have made to Canada's social, economic, political and cultural fabric;

And whereas Canadian Jewish Heritage Month would provide an opportunity to remember, celebrate and educate future generations about the inspirational role that Jewish Canadians have played and continue to play in communities across the country;

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows:

Short title

1 This Act may be cited as the *Canadian Jewish Heritage Month Act*.

Canadian Jewish Heritage Month

2 Throughout Canada, in each and every year, the month of May is to be known as "Canadian Jewish Heritage Month".