

## **Chapter 607**

**(House Bill 77)**

AN ACT concerning

### **State Government – Commemorative Month – Irish American Heritage Month**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to proclaim a certain month each year as Irish American Heritage Month; requiring the proclamation to urge certain organizations to observe the month with certain activities; and generally relating to Irish American Heritage Month.

BY adding to

Article – State Government

Section 13–504

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2009 Replacement Volume and 2012 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

#### **Article – State Government**

#### **13–504.**

**(A) IN RECOGNITION OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT IRISH AMERICANS HAVE MADE TO THE STATE, THE GOVERNOR SHALL PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MARCH EACH YEAR AS IRISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH.**

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

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2013.

**Approved by the Governor, May 16, 2013.**