



## 2013 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 16

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1     **Relating to:** proclaiming October as Italian–American Heritage Month.

2             Whereas, in the early 1900s millions of immigrants and their families left their  
3 homes in Italy to come to America in search of a new life, bringing with them a strong  
4 strength of character, belief in hard work, devotion to family, love of life, and a  
5 reverence and appreciation for the arts; and

6             Whereas, connected by a shared heritage, a strong determination to succeed,  
7 and appreciation for the new freedom they found, Italian immigrants played an  
8 integral role in creating some of our country’s most valued national treasures,  
9 including the Lincoln Memorial, numerous statues and artwork in the National  
10 Cathedral and Capitol, as well as the dome and corridors of our own state capitol in  
11 Madison; and

12             Whereas, Italian–Americans are filled with pride and gratitude for family and  
13 ancestral culture which, through the generations, has greatly influenced almost  
14 every aspect of our nation’s culture, including language, history, architecture, food,  
15 fashion, film, politics, literature, music, sports, and government; and

