

Public Law 102-253  
102d Congress

## Joint Resolution

Mar. 10, 1992  
[H.J. Res. 350]

Designating March 1992 as "Irish-American Heritage Month".

Whereas the President of the United States for the first time designated March 1991 as "Irish-American Heritage Month";  
Whereas for the first time the Governors of 28 States also designated March 1991 as "Irish-American Heritage Month";  
Whereas the Mayors of Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, San Francisco, Savannah and Washington, D.C., designated March 1991 as "Irish-American Heritage Month";  
Whereas 200 years ago the Irish-born James Hoban designed the White House and later assisted in the building of the United States Capitol;  
Whereas 130 years ago Irish-born troops fought valiantly on the fields now known as "Bloody Lane" at Antietam;  
Whereas on March 17, 1991, St. Patrick's Day, 220 community parades honored the patron saint of Ireland;  
Whereas the Irish and Irish descendants have contributed greatly to the enrichment of all aspects of life in the United States, including military and governmental service, science, education, art, agriculture, business, industry, and athletics; and  
Whereas more than 40,000,000 individuals in the United States claim Irish ancestry: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That March 1992 is designated as "Irish-American Heritage Month", and the President of the United States of America is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe the month with appropriate programs and activities.*

Approved March 10, 1992.

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