



# State of New York

## Executive Chamber

### Proclamation

Whereas, our nation and state are strengthened by the diversity of our people and New York State has an especially proud history of welcoming immigrants from all countries of the world, recognizing that our advancement as a society is dependent upon a continuous flow of new immigrant life; and

Whereas, generations of immigrants from every corner of the globe have helped build our economic and social structure, creating the unique character of New York State and all of America; and

Whereas, immigrants continue to add to our society through business growth, innovation, cultural enrichment, neighborhood revitalization, and job creation; and

Whereas, throughout history, many immigrants to arrive on our shores have become tireless leaders not only in securing their own rights and access to equal opportunity, but campaigning to create a fairer and more just society for all Americans; and

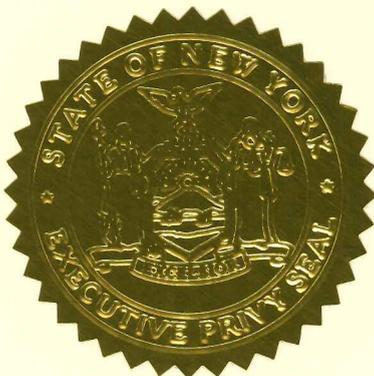
Whereas, immigrants have an immeasurable influence and impact on the economic, social, and cultural framework of the United States and New York State, and we join in recognizing our immigrant communities for their achievements in all areas of endeavor and their positive contributions to our daily lives;

Now, Therefore, I, Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of New York, do hereby proclaim June 2016 as

## IMMIGRANT HERITAGE MONTH

in the Empire State.

Given under my hand and the Privy Seal of the State  
at the Capitol in the City of Albany this sixth day  
of June in the year two thousand sixteen.



Governor

Secretary to the Governor