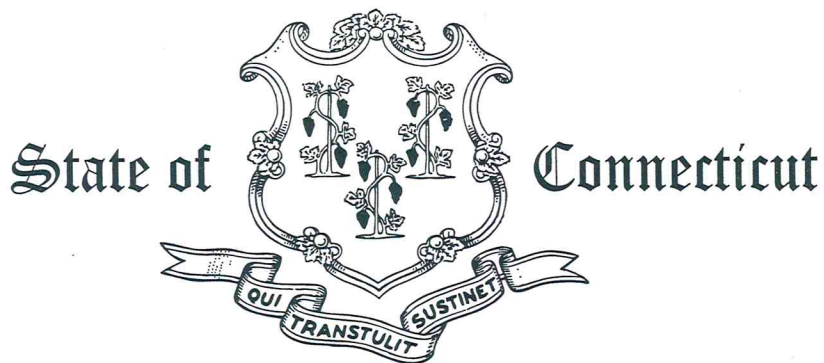


DANNEL P. MALLOY
GOVERNOR
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By His Excellency Dannel P. Malloy, Governor: an
Official Statement

*W*HEREAS, the president of the United States has proclaimed March as Irish-American Heritage Month since 1991; and

*W*HEREAS, meant to coincide with Saint Patrick's Day on March 17th, the aim of Irish-American Heritage Month is to educate the nation on both the successes and the struggles of our fellow Irish-Americans; and

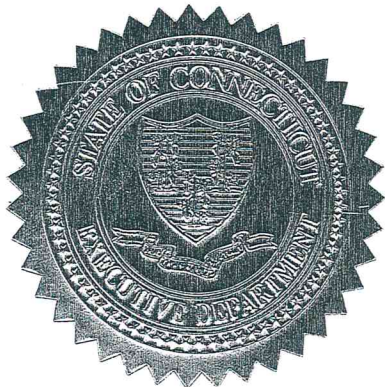
*W*HEREAS, Irish-American Heritage Month is a time to celebrate the many achievements of the Irish-American community, and the contributions Irish-Americans have made to our shared American nation; and

*W*HEREAS, the United States has seen many Irish-Americans etch their names into America's history, such as the first woman to command a NASA space mission, Colonel Eileen Collins, and our 35th president, John F. Kennedy; and

*W*HEREAS, we are thankful for the many men and women of Irish descent who have bettered our country – through their embodiment of the American Dream, and their hard work to make those dreams a reality; and

*T*HEREFORE, I, Dannel P. Malloy, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby proclaim March 2018 as

IRISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH
in the State of Connecticut.




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