



## Proclamation

### March 2026 Irish Heritage Month

**Whereas**, in 2004 the Government of Ontario proclaimed Bill 33: An Act proclaiming Irish Heritage Day – March 17, the day of Saint Patrick, the patron saint of the Irish; and

**Whereas**, the Government of Canada marked the first official Irish Heritage Month in Canada in March of 2022; and

**Whereas**, today almost 4.6 million Canadians in towns and cities across Canada can trace their ancestry back to Ireland; and

**Whereas**, Irish Canadians have greatly contributed to the story of our country, province and town and this month is an opportunity to learn more about their history, culture and positive impacts to our local community; and

**Whereas**, the [Celtic Academy Irish Dance Canada](#) with ten locations in Ontario, and one within Orangeville, continues to foster public awareness and preserve cultural heritage by offering in person dance classes, camps and community performances;

Now Therefore, I, Mayor Lisa Post, on behalf of Council, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2026 as “**Irish Heritage Month**” in the Town of Orangeville.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Post".

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**Lisa Post**  
**Mayor**