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### *A Message from the Premier of British Columbia*

As Premier of the province of British Columbia, I am pleased to join with the National Congress of Italian Canadians – Toronto District, to provide greetings for Italian Heritage Month, as well as, congratulations on the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the unification of Italy.

Since the 1880s, the Italian Canadian community has made and continues to make significant contributions to the growth and prosperity to the province of Ontario and to Canada. Multiculturalism plays an important role in the development and diversity of this country, and helps us all to recognize the importance of celebrating our heritage.

Anniversaries are a time of celebration, reflection and renewal. It is a wonderful opportunity to bring people together to share their pride and their culture.

On behalf of all British Columbians, please accept my best wishes. Congratulations on all of your many accomplishments as a community.

Sincerely,

Christy Clark  
Premier