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Bill 194
(2003, chapter 10)

An Act to proclaim Armenian Genocide Memorial Day

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Passage 28 November 2003
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

The purpose of this bill is to proclaim 24 April of each year Armenian Genocide Memorial Day.

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AN ACT TO PROCLAIM ARMENIAN GENOCIDE MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS since 1980, the National Assembly of Québec has unanimously supported every motion to commemorate the Armenian genocide;

WHEREAS, in recent years, a number of countries have in various ways acknowledged the existence of the Armenian genocide;

WHEREAS the Armenian community of Québec has over 20,000 members;

WHEREAS our fellow citizens of Armenian origin strongly desire to perpetuate the memory of those who died;

WHEREAS Quebecers wish to share the painful memory their fellow citizens of Armenian origin have of the tragic events of 1915, and have expressed this wish on many occasions in the National Assembly of Québec;

WHEREAS, in keeping with their social values, Quebecers have always rejected intolerance and ethnic exclusion;

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1.** The twenty-fourth of April is proclaimed Armenian Genocide Memorial Day.
- 2.** This Act comes into force on 10 December 2003.