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# NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUÉBEC

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Bill 498  
(2024, chapter 8)

## **An Act to proclaim National Maple Day**

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**Passed in principle 21 February 2024**  
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**Assented to 9 April 2024**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTES**

*The purpose of this Act is to proclaim the third Sunday in October  
National Maple Day.*

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### **AN ACT TO PROCLAIM NATIONAL MAPLE DAY**

AS maple products play a central role in Québec's cultural, social and culinary history;

AS Québec plays the dominant role in the global production of maple syrup;

AS maple syrup production has positive impacts on the economic development of Québec's regions;

AS maple syrup and its derivative products are a major attraction for Quebecers and international visitors;

AS sugaring season traditions have been designated as elements of Québec's intangible heritage;

AS maple products and the traditions related to them have helped forge Québec's identity and must continue to be a source of pride for the Québec nation;

AS it is expedient to promote Québec's maple products and to recognize the contribution of the people who showcase these products by proclaiming the third Sunday in October National Maple Day;

THE PARLIAMENT OF QUÉBEC ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1.** The third Sunday in October is proclaimed National Maple Day.
- 2.** This Act comes into force on 9 April 2024.