



## Commemorative plaque of Irma LeVasseur

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On May 28, 2018, the city of Québec unveiled ten commemorative plaques to pay tribute to personalities who stood out as achievers in the history of the city. One of them pays tribute to Dr. Irma LeVasseur, first female French-Canadian doctor. A plaque has been affixed on a façade of the residence she once occupied on [1165-1167, Saint-Jean Street](#). This residence is located on Saint-Jean Street, near the side of the Palace, Quebec.

Here is the text taken from the Ville de Québec website

### **Irma LeVasseur (1877-1964) -1165-1167, rue Saint-Jean**

*Born in the Saint-Roch district of Quebec in 1877, Irma LeVasseur moved to Minnesota to study medicine, a field then reserved for men only. After graduation, she returned to Quebec in 1902 and was recognized by the Government and was given the right to practice medicine. She became the first French Canadian woman to do so. Back from Europe where she specialized in Pediatrics, she participated in the foundation of the Montreal Sainte-Justine Hospital and later, the foundation in Québec of two institutions that came to be known as l'Enfant-Jesus Hospital and the Cardinal-Villeneuve school. Pioneer of medicine and paediatrics in Quebec, her life finished in seclusion and she died in poverty in 1964.*

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The Association, Levasseur d'Amérique Inc. is a non-profit organization, founded in 1988, in accordance to a federal charter. Its goals are:

- To join together and unite a large number of Levasseur and other descendants who have adopted the patronymic Borgia, Carmel, Carmell, Vasseur, Vassor, Vasser.
- To promote, develop and diffuse historical genealogical knowledge about the Levasseur families with Internet, an electronic Newsletter published three times per year also the publication of genealogical dictionaries.
- To maintain and update, on an ongoing basis, the genealogical data base available to members at all times on the Internet.
- To make available to members a family photo album and the Newsletters that the Association has published since 1988.
- To honor the memory of our forefathers and their descendants by way of monuments, plaques or symbolic gestures that commemorate historic events that are chronicle the Levasseur family.
- To gather all documents related to the Levasseur family for the purpose of constructing archives that will constitute the heritage of our Association and that will provide a source of information for historians and genealogists.

*We would appreciate if you could send us family related documents that would add to our data base of archives and also enable us to continue the publication of the Levasseur Newsletter three times per year. The participation of the Levasseurs and members of their families is essential to allow us to pursue our mission. Send us your photos and texts for the next publication of the Newsletter. You can download them very easily with this new tool and by providing a brief description of the photo or text that is being sent. Following receipt of your documents, a copy of all information to be published in the Newsletter will be sent to you for approval prior to final publication.*

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