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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE  
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# PROCLAMATION

I, JEFF LEHMAN, Mayor of the City of BARRIE,

do hereby proclaim

**September 28, 2017**

as

## **“Take Back the Night” Day**

- WHEREAS;** Take Back the Night is an internationally held march and rally intended as a protest and direct action against rape and other forms of violence against women; and
- WHEREAS;** Since the late 1970s, women have participated in the Take Back the Night march as a way of experiencing – for at least one night – the freedom of women walking together liberated from violence; and
- WHEREAS;** The event gives women the opportunity to walk the streets at night with their sisters and without fear; and it also celebrates women's diversity, visibility and strength, emphasizing their right to demand a world in which they control their own minds, bodies and selves; and
- WHEREAS;** The City of Barrie continues to advocate for an end to violence against women and supports efforts to ensure women can live free from violence; and
- WHEREAS;** Take Back the Night, as recognized across the Province of Ontario, seeks to heighten awareness of the issue and works towards its end.
- THEREFORE,** I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim **September 28, 2017** as **“Take Back the Night” Day**.



Jeff Lehman,  
Mayor