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PROCLAMATION

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

do hereby proclaim

October 21, 2017 - October 22, 2017

as

Bahá'i Faith Days

WHEREAS; October 21-22, 2017 marks the 200th Anniversary of the Birth if Bahá'u'lláh, the founder of the Bahá'i Faith; and

WHEREAS; Bahá'u'lláh called for fellowship and collaboration among the followers of all religions; and

WHEREAS; Bahá'u'lláh affirmed the equality of women and men, and taught that humanity is one family and called for the elimination of racism and racial prejudice, while racism remains a persistent evil; and

WHEREAS; Bahá'u'lláh declared that universal education is required for societies to succeed, while universal access to education is still unattained; and

WHEREAS; Bahá'u'lláh called for limits on the extremes of poverty and wealth; and

WHEREAS; Bahá'u'lláh urged the leaders of the world to create a system of collective security; and

WHEREAS; The wide gap between these ideals calls for people of all faiths and no faith to rise above and work together for human understanding and peace.

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim October 21 and October 22, 2017 as "Baha'i Faith Days" and encourage all citizens to take note of this special week, get involved and participate in this celebration.

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Jeff Lehman, Mayor