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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE Mayor's Office

PROCLAMATION

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

do hereby proclaim

December 3, 2017

as

International Day of Persons with Disabilities

WHEREAS; The annual observance of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities was proclaimed in 1992

by the United Nations General Assembly; and

WHEREAS; Annual observance of International Day of Persons with Disabilities aims to promote an understanding

of disability issues and mobilize support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities. We recognize the strides persons with disabilities have made in every aspect of political, social,

economic and cultural life, and work to raise awareness of the struggles yet to be overcome; and

WHEREAS; The observance of the Day is an opportunity for the City of Barrie to make a renewed commitment to

the principles of dignity and justice for all, in support of the implementation of the Convention on the

Rights of Persons with Disabilities; and

WHEREAS: The City of Barrie Council adopts each year the City's Accessibility Plan under the Ontarians with

Disabilities Act and the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act; and

WHEREAS; The City's Accessibility Plan is a framework for action which supports and strengthens the City's

commitment and efforts to enhance accessibility to its programs, services, employment and facilities, thus supporting the UN's 2017 theme for International Day of Persons with Disabilities: "Transformation

towards sustainable and resilient society for all"

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim December 3, 2017 as "International

Day of Persons with Disabilities."

Jeff Lehman, Mayor