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PROCLAMATION

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

do hereby proclaim

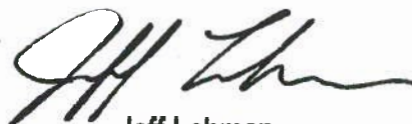
April 2018

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“Be A Donor” Month

- WHEREAS;** Over 1,500 people in Ontario are on the waitlist and every three days someone dies waiting for a live-saving organ transplant; and
- WHEREAS;** In 2017, 347 deceased and 263 living donors saved the lives of 1,269 people through transplant, and 2,141 tissue donors enhanced the lives of thousands more through the gift of eyes, bone, skin or heart valves; and
- WHEREAS;** Research shows the majority of Ontarians support organ and tissue donation yet just 32% of eligible Ontarians have registered their consent to donate; and
- WHEREAS;** Families almost always consent to donation when there is evidence a loved one registered their decision to donate, but in the absence of a registered donation decision, families consent only half of the time; and
- WHEREAS;** everyone is a potential organ and tissue donor, regardless of age; one organ donor can save up to eight lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 more through the gift of tissue.
- THEREFORE,** I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim the month of **April 2018** to be **“Be A Donor” Month** and encourage all to learn more about the organ and tissue donation and consider registering as a donor at BeADonor.ca.




Jeff Lehman,
Mayor