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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

April 2, 2019

as

World Autism Awareness Day

WHEREAS; World Autism Awareness Day was recognized on April 2, 2016 in Canada; and

WHEREAS; Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) affects more than 100,000 Ontarians and is now recognized as the

most common neurological disorder; and

WHEREAS; ASD is a spectrum disorder, which means it not only manifests itself differently in every individual in

whom it appears, but its characteristics will change over the life of the individual as well. A child with

ASD will become an adult with ASD; and

WHEREAS; Autism Ontario (formerly Autism Society of Ontario) is the leading source of information and referral

on autism and one of the largest collective voices representing the autism community. Since 1973, Autism Ontario has been providing support, information and opportunities for thousands of families

across the province; and

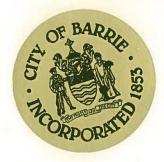
WHEREAS; Autism Ontario is dedicated to increasing public awareness about autism and the day-to-day issues

faced by individuals with autism, their families, and the professionals with whom they interact. The association and its chapters share common goals of providing information and education, supporting

research, and advocating for programs and services for the autism community.

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim April 2, 2019 to be "World Autism"

Awareness Day."



Jeff Lehman Mayor