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## PROCLAMATION

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

do hereby proclaim

October 6, 2019 – October 12, 2019

as

## **Fire Prevention Week**

WHEREAS; The City of Barrie, Ontario is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting Barrie;

and visiting barrie,

WHEREAS; Fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations

where people are at greatest risk from fire; and

WHEREAS; When the smoke alarm sounds Barrie's residents may have less than two minutes to escape to

safety. Barrie's residents who have planned and practiced a home fire escape plan are more

prepared and will therefore be more likely to survive a fire; and

WHEREAS; Barrie's residents should ensure their home escape plan has working smoke and carbon

monoxide alarms, two ways out and a meeting place. Children should be taught to escape on their own in case adults can't help them. Everyone in the home should know how to call 9-1-1 from a cell phone or a neighbor's phone. In a real emergency everyone should get low and go under the smoke to get out quickly, once they get out they stay out, never going back inside the

home for people, pets or things; and

WHEREAS; Barrie's residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take action to

increase their safety from fire, especially in their homes; and

WHEREAS; The 2019 Fire Prevention Week™ theme, "Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice

Your Escape!™" effectively serves to remind us that we need to take personal steps to increase

our safety from fire.

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim October 6 to 12, 2019, as "Fire

Prevention Week", and I urge all the people of Barrie to be aware of their surroundings, look for available ways out in the event of a fire or other emergency, respond when the smoke alarm sounds by exiting the building immediately, and to support the many public safety activities and

efforts of Barrie's fire and emergency services during Fire Prevention Week 2019...



Jeff Lehman, Mayor