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PROCLAMATION

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

do hereby proclaim the month of

April 2016

as

National Poetry Month

- WHEREAS;** National Poetry Month celebrates poetry, writing and the contributions of poets and all writers to the identity and quality of life of our communities. This initiative also celebrates libraries and the work of municipal leaders to promote literacy, reading, the arts, and culture; and
- WHEREAS;** Poetry reaffirms our common humanity by revealing to us that individuals everywhere share the same questions and feelings; and
- WHEREAS;** Poetry is a mainstay of oral tradition and, over centuries, can communicate the innermost values of diverse culture; and
- WHEREAS;** Thousands of organizations participate through readings, festivals, book displays, workshops and other events.
- THEREFORE,** I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim the month of **April 2016** to be "**National Poetry Month**" and encourage all citizens of the City of Barrie to read, write and engage in our local arts and culture.




Jeff Lehman
Mayor