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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

March 8, 2021

as

International Women's Day

- WHEREAS;** Celebrated annually on March 8th, International Women's day has occurred for well over a century, with the first gathering in 1911 supported by over a million people. Today, International Women's Day belongs to all groups collectively everywhere; and
- WHEREAS;** Today is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The day also marks a call to action for accelerating women's equality; and
- WHEREAS;** The world has made unprecedented advances, but no country has achieved gender equality. We can see this in all career streams with less than 25% of parliamentarians being women. The gender gap is still present in various streams of society, and today is a day to acknowledge that and continue to make strides towards closing it; and
- WHEREAS;** The Women and Children's Shelter of Barrie's will be hosting the 2021 International Women's Day Empowerment Luncheon with local Keynote Speaker, Joanne Shank, a Self-Love and Empowerment Coach on Monday March 8th. This year's virtual luncheon features an interactive, live presentation on a courageous journey of self-reflection and exploration while indulging in a gourmet catered meal delivered curbside. For more information visit, please www.barrieshelter.com/events or contact katie@barrieshelter.com

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim **March 8, 2021** as **"International Women's Day."**




Jeff Lehman,
Mayor