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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE
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PROCLAMATION

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

do hereby proclaim

April 2021

as

"Be A Donor" Month

- WHEREAS;** Over 1,600 people in Ontario are on the waitlist and every three days someone dies waiting for a live-saving organ transplant; and
- WHEREAS;** in 2020, 314 deceased organ donors gave the gift of life, 1,135 organ transplants were performed in Ontario, and 1,709 tissue donors enhanced the lives of thousands; and
- WHEREAS;** 90% of Ontarians support organ and tissue donation yet only one in three (35%) 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. 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 2021** 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