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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

September 10, 2016

as

World Suicide Prevention Day

WHEREAS; Simcoe County Suicide Awareness Council is comprised of survivors of suicide loss; service

professionals; mental health providers; and community members who are engaged in "Providing a culture of hope and support to those affected by suicide, while increasing awareness and

understanding through education"; and

WHEREAS; Many loved ones in our community have been lost to suicide//many through feelings of depression;

hopelessness and helplessness; and

WHEREAS; Many people have been affected by the tragedy of suicide and struggle to reconcile themselves to

this type of loss for years; and

WHEREAS; Suicide is the second leading cause of death amongst our youth; our first nations people have

increasingly higher rates on a yearly basis; Indigenous, LGBTQ and at-risk youth are at least 4 times more likely to attempt suicide; our seniors and military personnel too often struggle alone; and according to the Mental Health Commission of Canada, nearly 4,000 Canadians die yearly by

suicide; and

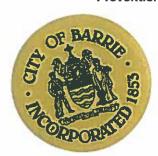
WHEREAS; Awareness and education; compassion and understanding are fundamental in the prevention of

suicide.

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Be the ONE to make a difference!

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim September 10, 2016 as "World Suicide Prevention Day."



Jeff Lehman, Mayor