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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, 2017

as

International Women's Day

- WHEREAS;** International Women's Day was established in 1909 and has become a yearly event that recognizes and celebrates the achievements, contributions, and resilience of women throughout the world; and
- WHEREAS;** International Women's Day is celebrated globally on March 8th to reflect on the contributions women have made and continue to make as equal and valued members of their communities; and
- WHEREAS;** International Women's Day is a time to celebrate the achievements of all women while recognizing the ongoing challenges of women's rights and gender equality, and to encourage the mobilization of all people to embrace these challenges and come alongside with all women to bring about global change; and
- WHEREAS;** International Women's Day is a time to envision a world where each woman and girl can contribute fully to her community, exercise choices, participate in politics, receive an education, receive fair and equal pay for equal work, and expect to live their life free of violence and discrimination; and
- WHEREAS;** On Wednesday, March 8th, the Women & Children's Shelter of Barrie is organizing an event in partnership with the City of Barrie and Barrie Police Service to celebrate International Women's Day. Beginning at 4:00pm, there will be a Flag Raising followed by a march at City Hall. This is a family friendly event, everyone is welcome to attend. To find out, please more visit: <http://barrieshelter.com/events-2/international-womens-day/>

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim **March 8, 2017** as "International Women's Day."



Jeff Lehman,
Mayor