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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 6, 2017 - April 14, 2017**

as

## Tartan Week

- WHEREAS;** Scottish people all over the world celebrate April 6<sup>th</sup> each year in remembrance of "The Treaty of Arbroath," 1320 Declaration of Scotland's independence; and
- WHEREAS;** At a meeting on March 9, 1986 in Nova Scotia, the Federation of Scottish Clans moved to petition all levels of governments in Canada to recognize the 6<sup>th</sup> of April as "Tartan Day" in recognition of Scottish forbearers in the development of Canada; and
- WHEREAS;** Scottish people have made numerous contributions to the scientific, medical, political, musical and industrial evolution of our great country; and
- WHEREAS;** The Coat of Arms of the City of Barrie was largely inspired by the coat of arms of Sir Robert Barrie, son of a Scottish surgeon and head of the Canadian navy; and
- WHEREAS;** Scotland's descendants, sons and daughters, have served in the armed forces of Canada, participating in a multi-cultural peace process; and
- WHEREAS;** A great many people living in Barrie and the surrounding areas are Scots Canadians or Canadians of Scottish descent; and
- WHEREAS;** The mission of the group "Scottish Connection" is to share the heritage by enjoying the songs, dances, poetry, history and humor of Scotland with our members, and by meeting monthly in the Hall of St. Andrew's Church in Barrie.
- THEREFORE,** I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim the week of **April 6 to April 14, 2017** as "**Tartan Week**" in the City of Barrie and encourage all residents to join in the remembrance and celebration of Scottish heritage by wearing your Clan tartan this week.



Jeff Lehman,  
Mayor