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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 the month of

October 2018

as

Lupus Awareness Month

- WHEREAS;** Lupus is an autoimmune disease that can cause severe damage to the tissue and organs in the body and, in some cases, death; and
- WHEREAS;** More than five million people worldwide suffer the devastating effects of this disease and each year over one hundred thousand women, men and children are newly diagnosed with lupus; and
- WHEREAS;** Many physicians are unaware of symptoms and health effects of lupus, causing people with lupus to suffer for many years before they obtain a correct diagnosis and medical treatment; and
- WHEREAS;** There is a need to educate and support individuals and families affected by lupus; and
- WHEREAS;** Increased public awareness, education and research are key to winning the battle against lupus; and
- WHEREAS;** Lupus Ontario is a team of caring and enthusiastic volunteers and staff who are passionately committed to helping those with lupus live longer and better by raising funds that deliver vital support, education, awareness and research. For more information, visit lupusontario.org.

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim the month of **October 2018** to be "**Lupus Awareness Month**" and encourage all citizens to recognize lupus as a significant public health issue.



Jeff Lehman,
Mayor