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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

November 2018

as

Pulmonary Hypertension Month

WHEREAS; Pulmonary hypertension, or PH, is a disease affecting the arteries of the lungs. It can strike anyone regardless of age, sex, social, or ethnic background; and

WHEREAS; Pulmonary hypertension refers to high blood pressure in the lungs which causes the arteries of the lungs to become narrowed and scarred. This can result in almost complete closing of the arteries. People affected by this disease suffer from continuous high blood pressure in the lungs, resulting in enlargement of the right heart, and can lead to heart failure and death; and

WHEREAS; Some symptoms of pulmonary hypertension are: shortness of breath, bluish or purplish lips, swelling of hands and feet, light headedness/dizziness, especially when climbing stairs or standing up, chest pain, a feeling of being tired all of the time, and sometimes even fainting; and

WHEREAS; The somewhat "generic" symptoms often get mistaken for other less serious illnesses or conditions resulting in patients experiencing significant delays in diagnosis and in receiving lifesaving treatments.

THEREFORE, I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim the month of **November 2018** to be "**Pulmonary Hypertension Month.**"



Jeff Lehman,
Mayor