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PROCLAMATION

I, JEFF LEHMAN, Mayor of the City of BARRIE,

do hereby proclaim

November 16, 2019

as

Louis Riel Day

- WHEREAS;** Every year, on November 16, Métis people all across Ontario gather for Louis Riel Day events; and
- WHEREAS;** November 16, 1885, marks the sad day in Canada's history when the Government of Canada executed Louis Riel for leading the Northwest Rebellion in defense of the Metis people; and
- WHEREAS;** Louis Riel is now considered to be one of Canada's "Fathers of Confederation"; and
- WHEREAS;** Today, Riel is considered to be the founder of Manitoba and is recognized by the Métis and other people as an advocate for minority rights in Canada; and
- WHEREAS;** The Algonquin Woodlands Aboriginal Peoples Tribal Council encourages all Canadians to recognize a Métis and Canadian hero in Louis Riel on this day.
- THEREFORE,** I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim **November 16, 2019** as "**Louis Riel Day**" and encourage residents to join in the remembrance and celebration of Louis Riel and promote equal rights for all minorities and citizens of Canada.



Jeff Lehman,
Mayor