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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

May 1 – May 7, 2012

as

National Youth Week

- WHEREAS;** Community organizations benefit individuals, families, neighborhoods and communities and provide high quality programs and opportunities for residents to lead healthy, active lives and to make our community a great place to live, work and play; and
- WHEREAS;** There is an increasing interest in intentional youth development through many community organizations in Canada that is founded on a substantial and growing body of research to support the role of recreation and services in the positive development of youth; and
- WHEREAS;** Canadian youth are often unrecognized for the valuable contributions they make to communities and Canada's social, economic and civic landscape. Meaningful youth engagement through recreation and services emphasizes access, equity and social justice and leads to positive youth development; and
- WHEREAS;** National Youth Week reminds us all of the valuable contributions that recreation and services can make to youth development and that youth can make to community development. National Youth Week is endorsed by the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association and the network of agencies and individuals committed to the positive development of youth.
- THEREFORE,** I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie do hereby proclaim the week of **May 1 to May 7, 2012** as "National Youth Week" in the City of Barrie and encourage residents to recognize and support the positive contributions of youth in our community.



Jeff Lehman,
Mayor