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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 2022**

as

## Children's Grief Awareness Month

- WHEREAS;** Children's Grief Awareness Month is designed to help us all become more aware of the needs of grieving children and of the benefits they obtain through the support of others; and
- WHEREAS;** Children who have had a significant family member die, carry that loss with them for a long time, causing confusion, sorrow and fearfulness as they struggle to understand; and
- WHEREAS;** Children's Grief Awareness Month is an opportunity to make sure that grieving children receive the support they need; and
- WHEREAS;** The third Thursday in November has been designated as Children's Grief Awareness Day. It is a day focused on bringing to mind all children who are grieving the death, divorce, or deployment of a loved one and an opportunity to let grieving children know that they are not forgotten or alone in the midst of their grief; and
- WHEREAS;** The citizens of Barrie are encouraged to wear blue to raise awareness and show their support for bereaved children and the grief agencies which serve those young people confronted by the reality of death. On November 1st at 11:00am at Barrie City Hall, Seasons Centre for Grieving Children, The Canadian Alliance for Grieving Children and Youth, and partner agencies will raise a flag to commemorate Children's Grief Awareness Month, everyone is welcome to safely attend. Visit [www.grievingchildren.com](http://www.grievingchildren.com) or contact [joan@grievingchildren.com](mailto:joan@grievingchildren.com) to find out how you can support these initiatives.
- THEREFORE,** I, Jeff Lehman, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim **November 2022** as "**Children's Grief Awareness Month**" in Barrie and urge all citizens of Barrie to recognize and assist Seasons Centre for Grieving Children and partner agencies in their work on behalf of grieving children and teens.



Jeff Lehman,  
Mayor