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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE Mayor's Office

## PROCLAMATION

I, BARRY WARD, Deputy Mayor of the City of BARRIE, do hereby proclaim

June 20, 2022 - June 26, 2022

as

## St. John Ambulance Week

WHEREAS; 2022 represents the 81st anniversary of the establishment of the Barrie Simcoe Muskoka Branch of

St. John Ambulance; and

WHEREAS; The Barrie Simcoe Muskoka Branch of St. John Ambulance has been serving the community since 1941 and fulfilling our mission to enable Canadians to improve their health, safety and quality of life by providing training and community service; and

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WHEREAS; St. John Ambulance is an integral part of the community, offering unique and innovative programs, including: medical first response, disaster response, car seat installation clinics, health and safety related youth programs and therapy dog services; and

WHEREAS; Last year, as much as possible during the pandemic, the 150 volunteers of the Branch provided the community with approximately 12,000 hours of volunteer services; and

WHEREAS; In 2021, 59 Medical First Response volunteers attended 31 events and contributed over 4,928 hours of volunteer service. In 2021, 63 Therapy Dog handlers and their contributed over 4,000 hours of volunteer service, completing 90 in-person and virtual visits to 18 facilities, including senior residences, hospitals, and schools, bringing comfort and companionship to all they visited. In 2021, 5 Youth volunteers learned about becoming better citizens, while developing leadership skills and contributed over 133 volunteer hours. In 2021, 8 Car Seat Safety Team members educated 38 parents and caregivers on the proper way to install car seats and contributed over 500 volunteer hours.

THEREFORE, I, Barry Ward, Deputy Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim the week of June 20 to June 26, 2022 as "St. John Ambulance Week."



Barry Ward, Deputy Mayor