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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE
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PROCLAMATION

I, ALEX NUTALL, Mayor of the City of BARRIE,

do hereby proclaim

April 2023

as

“Be A Donor” Month

- WHEREAS;** April is “Be A Donor” Month in Ontario. The goal during “Be A Donor” Month is to inspire those who have not yet registered consent for organ and tissue donation; and almost 1,400 people in Ontario are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant and every three days someone will die waiting for an organ transplant; and
- WHEREAS;** in 2022, 328 deceased organ donors gave the gift of life, 907 organ transplants were performed in Ontario, and 1,783 tissue donors enhanced the lives of thousands.
- WHEREAS;** 90% of Ontarians support organ and tissue donation yet only one in three (35%) of eligible Ontarians have registered their consent to donate; and
- WHEREAS;** families almost always consent to donation when there is evidence a loved one registered their decision to donate, but in the absence of a registered donation decision, families consent only half of the time; and
- WHEREAS;** everyone has the potential to be an organ and/or tissue donor, regardless of age or health; one organ donor can save up to eight lives and enhance the lives of up to 75 others through tissue donation; and
- THEREFORE,** I, Alex Nuttall, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim the month of **April 2023** to be **“Be A Donor” Month** and I encourage all citizens to learn more about organ and tissue donation and transplantation, and consider pledging their support to “Be A Donor” Month by registering as a donor at BeADonor.ca.

Alex Nuttall,
Mayor