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THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BARRIE
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PROCLAMATION

I, ALEX NUTTALL, Mayor of the City of BARRIE,
do hereby proclaim the month of

May 2023

as

Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month

- WHEREAS;** It is imperative that communities across Canada be reminded of the importance of sun safety; and
- WHEREAS;** Over-exposure to UV radiation is one of the major causes of melanoma and non-melanoma skin cancers; and
- WHEREAS;** Skin cancer is the most common of all cancers. One in every three cancers diagnosed worldwide is skin cancer, 80-90% of which are caused by ultraviolet (UV) radiation, and over 80,000 cases of skin cancer are diagnosed in Canada each year; and
- WHEREAS;** Many people seek sun without taking the advisable precautionary measures and are unaware that any darkening of skin colour, including a tan, is indicative of UV damage; and
- WHEREAS;** Skin self-examinations should be performed on a monthly basis because skin cancers are highly treatable when detected early; and
- WHEREAS;** Save Your Skin Foundation is dedicated to the fight against non-melanoma skin cancers, melanoma and ocular melanoma through nationwide education, advocacy, and awareness initiatives.
- THEREFORE,** I, Alex Nuttall, Mayor of the City of Barrie, do hereby proclaim the month of **May 2023** as **"Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month."**

Alex Nuttall,
Mayor