

PROCLAMATION

MELANOMA AND SKIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

MAY 2023

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 nonmelanoma skin cancers; and

WHEREAS, Skin cancer is the most common of all cancers. 1 in 6 Canadians born in the 1990s will get skin cancer in their lifetimes; 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, Ann Lawlor, Mayor, of the Town of Halton Hills do hereby proclaim May 2023 as **Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month**.

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Ann Lawlor Mayor, Town of Halton Hills