



Proclamation

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. 1 in 6 Canadians born in the 1990's 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 color, 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.

Now therefore, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,
I proclaim that the month of **May 2023** be observed as:
"Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month"
in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Simon Yu
City of Prince George