

PROCLAMATION

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

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; and

THEREFORE: I, Linnsie Clark, Mayor of the City of Medicine Hat, do hereby proclaim the month

of May 2023 as:

"MELANOMA AND SKIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

City of Medicine Hat