



Proclamation

MELANOMA AND SKIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH May 2021

WHEREAS, It is imperative that communities across Canada be reminded of the importance of sun safety;

WHEREAS, Over-exposure to UV radiation is one of the major causes of melanoma and non-melanoma skin cancers;

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;

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;

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, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council do hereby proclaim May 2021 as "Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 1st day of May 2021




Mike Savage
Mayor