



P R O C L A M A T I O N

CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER

**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;
- 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** I, Jonathan Coté, Mayor of the City of New Westminster do hereby proclaim the month of May as

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In the City of New Westminster, Province of British Columbia.

Jonathan Coté  
MAYOR

