



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 lifetime;

AND WHEREAS Many people seek sun without taking the advisable precautionary measures and are unaware that any darkening 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:

NOW THEREFORE I, Bill Robertson, Mayor of the Town of Okotoks, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2021 as Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month in the Town of Okotoks.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2021

Wm. (Bill) B. Robertson
Mayor