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PROCLAMATION

Melanoma Awareness Month May 2021

- 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.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **Fred Haynes**, Mayor of the Corporation of the District of Saanich, do hereby proclaim the **Month of May 2021** as Melanoma Awareness Month.



Dated this 17th day of March, 2021

Fred Haynes
Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. Haynes", written over a horizontal line.