

## **PROCLAMATION**

## MELANOMA & 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 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, Gale Katchur, as Mayor of the City of Fort Saskatchewan and on behalf of City Council, proclaim the month of May 2025 as MELANOMA AND SKIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH.

<u>Jale Hatcher</u> Mayor Gale Katchur

May 1, 2025