



PROCLAMATION
Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month
May, 2023

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, Ryan Windsor, Mayor of the Corporation of the District of Central Saanich, do hereby proclaim **the month of May, 2023** as **Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month**, in the District of Central Saanich.

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Ryan Windsor
Mayor

Dated this 19th day of January, 2023