

# PROCLAMATION

## MELANOMA AND SKIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

MAY 2025

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that communities across Canada be reminded of 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 and 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 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, Ken Boshcoff, Mayor of the City of Thunder Bay, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2025 as Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month in the City of Thunder Bay.

KEN BOSHCOFF,  
MAYOR



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