



# Proclamation

## 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; there are more new cases of skin cancer each year than the number of breast, prostate, lung and colon cancers combined; 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, as Mayor of the City of Prince George,  
I proclaim that the month of **May 2022** be observed as:  
**“Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month”**  
in the City of Prince George.

Mayor Lyn Hall  
City of Prince George