



# Proclamation

## Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month

May 2024

**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, BE IT RESOLVED** that I, Brenda Locke, do hereby proclaim May 2024 as “Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month” in the City of Surrey.

---

Mayor Brenda Locke  
City of Surrey