

## **PROCLAMATION**

## MELANOMA AND SKIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

## **MAY 2025**

**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;

**THEREFORE**, I, Ann Lawlor, Mayor, of the Town of Halton Hills do hereby proclaim May 2025 as **Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month**.

Ann Lawlor

Mayor, Town of Halton Hills

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