



Proclamation

May 2024

Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month

Whereas, it is imperative that communities across Canada be reminded of the importance of sun safety;

Whereas, over-exposure to UV radiation is one of the major causes of melanoma and non-melanoma skin cancers;

Whereas, skin cancer is the most common of all cancers, 1 in 6 Canadians born in the 1990s will be diagnosed with skin cancer in their lifetime;

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, there are more new cases of skin cancer each year than the number of breast, prostate, lung and colon cancers combined;

Whereas, skin self-examination 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 melanoma, non-melanoma skin cancers, and ocular melanoma through nationwide education advocacy, and awareness initiatives;

Now Therefore, I, **Mayor Lisa Post** on behalf of Council, do hereby proclaim **May 2024** as “**Melanoma and Skin Cancer Awareness Month**” in the Town of Orangeville.

Lisa Post
Mayor