

“MELANOMA 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. 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 nonmelanoma skin cancers, melanoma and ocular melanoma through nationwide education, advocacy, and awareness initiatives.*

NOW, THEREFORE I do hereby proclaim May 2020 as **“MELANOMA AWARENESS MONTH”** on the **HOMELANDS** of the **Lekwungen** speaking **SONGHEES AND ESQUIMALT PEOPLE** in the **CITY OF VICTORIA**, **CAPITAL CITY** of the **PROVINCE** of **BRITISH COLUMBIA**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this April 9th Two Thousand and Twenty.

LISA HELPS
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