



Proclamation
OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO
Recognizing May 2017 as
SKIN CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, skin cancer is the most common type of cancer in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society estimates one in five Americans will develop skin cancer in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, in El Dorado County, twice as many adults have been diagnosed with skin cancer, compared with adults in the State of California overall; and

WHEREAS, 90% of all skin cancers can be prevented by protection from the sun's rays, or ultraviolet (UV) radiation; and

WHEREAS, sun exposure during childhood accounts for 80% of lifetime exposure to the sun; and

WHEREAS, regular daily use of Sun Protection Factor (SPF) 30 or higher sunscreen reduces risk of melanoma by 50%; and

WHEREAS, it is essential to teach sun protective habits early in life because children receive 3 times more UV radiation than adults do every year; and

WHEREAS, in a joint effort, the County of El Dorado Health and Human Services Agency, Well Dorado, Marshall Medical Center, El Dorado Community Health Center, and the City of Placerville strive to educate our local community about skin cancer prevention; and

WHEREAS, the County of El Dorado in collaboration with the City of Placerville joins communities across our nation to increase the awareness of skin cancer prevention and invites all members of the community to attend "SPF '17" (Sun Protection Fest 2017) at the Placerville Aquatic Center on Friday, June 2, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado does hereby recognize May 2017 as Skin Cancer Awareness Month and calls upon all citizens, governmental agencies, public and private institutions, businesses, hospitals and schools in El Dorado County to increase public awareness of the importance of skin cancer prevention and promote greater understanding and use of skin protective habits.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado at a regular meeting of the Board, held the 9th day of May, 2017.

Attest:

James S. Mitrisin
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____

Deputy Clerk

Shiva Frentzen, Chair, Board of Supervisors