

Proclamation OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO

Recognizing May 2018 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, 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, Active Living Leadership Team, Marshall Medical Center, El Dorado Community Health Center, and the El Dorado Hills Community Services District strive to educate our local community about skin cancer prevention.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAMED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of El Dorado does hereby proclaim May 2018 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 8th day of May, 2018.

Attest:

James S. Mitrisin

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By:

Deputy Clerk

Michael Ranalli, Chair, Board of Supervisors