

RESOLUTION 2016- 261

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY PROCLAIMING MAY 2016 AS MELANOMA/SKIN CANCER
DETECTION AND PREVENTION MONTH**

WHEREAS, cancer of the skin is by far the most common of all cancers in the United States and in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, skin cancer accounts for nearly half of all cancer in the United States, with more than 3.5 million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancer being diagnosed in the country each year; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the sun causes 90 percent of the non-melanoma skin cancers and other research links it to 65 percent of all melanomas; and

WHEREAS, Melanoma, the most serious type of skin cancer, will account for more than 76,600 cases of skin cancer in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the best ways to lower the risk of skin cancer is to avoid long exposure to intense sunlight and practice sun safety, including the use of sunscreen with a minimum sun protection factor (SPF) of 30; and

WHEREAS, it is important for people to know that skin cancer can be found early and people should be educated regarding signs and symptoms of skin cancer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Ocean Committee proclaims the month of May 2016 as Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month and will continue to educate the public on the dangers of skin cancer and encourage the use of sunscreen.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution shall be sent to the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Ocean County Mayors.

CERTIFICATION

I, Diane Ambrosio, Clerk of the Township of Ocean, in the County of Ocean and the State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee at its Regular Business Meeting held on the 12th day of May 2016.

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC
Municipal Clerk