



2007 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 119

1 **Relating to:** recognizing May as Melanoma and Skin Cancer Detection and
2 Prevention month.

3 Whereas, most people do not realize that the skin is the largest and most visible
4 organ of the body and performs many essential tasks; and

5 Whereas, more than 1 million new cases of skin cancer will be diagnosed in the
6 United States this year; and

7 Whereas, one in five Americans will develop skin cancer during his or her
8 lifetime; and

9 Whereas, this year, there will be about 116,500 new cases of melanoma, the
10 deadliest form of skin cancer; and

11 Whereas, melanoma is the most common form of cancer for young adults
12 between the ages of 25 and 29 and the second most common form of cancer for
13 adolescents and young adults between the ages of 15 and 29; and

14 Whereas, more than 75 percent of all skin cancer deaths are from melanoma,
15 and one person dies almost every hour from melanoma; and

