



STATE *of* MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota plays a vital role in identifying, protecting, and responding to cyber threats, which have a significant impact on our security and privacy; and
- WHEREAS: Critical infrastructure sectors, including financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems are increasingly reliant on information systems; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota IT Services maintains a comprehensive five-year strategic cybersecurity plan that prioritizes initiatives for the management, control, and protection of state systems and data to protect the privacy of all Minnesotans; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota is committed to preparing and defending the state from cybersecurity events, and growing the nation's cybersecurity workforce as outlined in the 2017 National Governor's Association Summer Meeting's Compact to Improve State Cybersecurity; and
- WHEREAS: Maintaining cyberspace security is a shared responsibility, for which each of us has a critical role to play, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of Minnesota's information infrastructure and economy; and
- WHEREAS: October is designated as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month and Minnesotans are encouraged to visit the Stop.Think.Connect. Campaign website, www.stopthinkconnect.org, to learn about cybersecurity and apply that knowledge in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2017, as:

CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 27th day of September.




GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE