



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota recognizes the need to uphold its vital role in identifying, protecting, and responding to cyber threats, which have a significant impact on our individual and collective security and privacy; and
- WHEREAS: Critical infrastructure sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems; and
- WHEREAS: Increased cyber threats necessitate cooperative efforts by all branches of government, in partnership with private sector leaders; and
- WHEREAS: An awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of the Minnesota information infrastructure and economy, and empower the public to be safer and more secure online; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota IT Services maintains a comprehensive, 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: October is designated as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month, and Minnesotans are encouraged to visit the "Stop. Think. Connect." campaign website (www.stopthinkconnect.org) to utilize free resources to improve cyber practices, 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 2018, 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 20th day of September.


GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE