



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capital
Boise

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho recognizes that it has a vital role in identifying, protecting its citizens from, and responding to cybersecurity threats that may have significant impact to our individual and collective safety and privacy; and

WHEREAS, critical infrastructure sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems and technology to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems; and

WHEREAS, cybersecurity education and awareness are crucial for everyone, including large corporations, small businesses, financial institutions, schools, government agencies, home users, and anyone who connects to the internet; and

WHEREAS, monitoring your accounts, being conscientious of what you share online, keeping computer software up to date, creating unique passwords and changing them regularly, installing anti-virus programs and firewalls are ways you can protect yourself from phishing, viruses, malware, and loss of sensitive data; and

WHEREAS, maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role to play, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of the State of Idaho's information, infrastructure, and economy; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government of the United States of America, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (www.dhs.gov/CISA), the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (<http://msisac.cisecurity.org>), the National Association of State Chief Information Officers (www.nascio.org), and the National Cyber Security Alliance (www.staysafeonline.org) all recognize October as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month, and all citizens are encouraged to visit these websites, along with the STOP. THINK. CONNECT.™ Campaign website (www.dhs.gov/stopthtinkconnect or www.stopthinkconnect.org) to learn about cybersecurity, in order to put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRAD LITTLE, Governor of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2019, to be

NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-fourth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirtieth.

BRAD LITTLE
GOVERNOR