

STATE OF ILLINOIS



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois recognizes its vital role in identifying, protecting its citizens from, and responding to cyber threats that may have a significant impact on our individual and collective security 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, the National Cybersecurity Awareness campaign focuses on raising awareness of the importance of cyber security and ensuring that all Americans have the resources they need to be safer and more secure online; and,

WHEREAS, the emphasis for this year's recognition is personal accountability and the importance of proactive behavior in guarding digital privacy, using security best practices, and combatting common cyber threats; and

WHEREAS, the line between our online and offline lives is increasingly indistinguishable in the 21st century, as our homes, societal well-being, economic prosperity and nation's security are intertwined with the internet; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Innovation & Technology, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, The National Cyber Security Alliance, and the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center all recognize October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month; all citizens are encouraged to visit the staysafeonline.org and stop.think.connect.org websites to learn about cyber security and implement these practices in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses;

*THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim October 2019 **CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH** in Illinois.*

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

*Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this NINETEENTH day of SEPTEMBER, in
the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and
NINETEEN, and of the State of Illinois,
two hundred and FIRST.*



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SECRETARY OF STATE

JB Pritzker

GOVERNOR