



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

- WHEREAS:** The State of Georgia recognizes that it plays 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 is increasingly reliant on the support of information systems and technology. Therefore, cybersecurity education and awareness are crucial for everyone, including large corporations, small businesses, financial institutions, schools, government agencies, non-profit organizations, the home user, and any other individual who connects to the internet, be it with a computer, mobile phone, or other internet-connected device; and
- WHEREAS:** Monitoring personal accounts, being conscientious of what is being shared online, keeping computer software up to date, creating unique passwords, and installing antivirus programs are all ways people and organizations can protect themselves from phishing, viruses, ransomware, other types of malwares, financial loss, and loss of sensitive data; and
- WHEREAS:** Building the State of Georgia's cybersecurity workforce enhances the nation's security and promotes economic prosperity, which showcases the need to engage and inform the public about the demand, opportunities, and career options available within the area of cybersecurity; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Technology Authority's Office of Information Security, as well as many other national, state, and local partners support Cybersecurity Awareness Month to encourage the people of Georgia to keep themselves safe online; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim October 2023 as CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 23rd day of August in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



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GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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