WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i recognizes that it has a vital role in identifying, protecting its citizens from, and responding to cyber threats that may have significant impact to our individual and collective security and privacy; and

WHEREAS, the State of Hawai'i joined a multi-state cybersecurity compact in July 2017 signed by thirty-eight governors to enhance state cybersecurity and develop the cyber workforce; the “Compact to Improve State Cybersecurity” is part of the National Governors Association’s “Meet the Threat: States Confront the Cyber Challenge” initiative and makes recommendations to better secure states’ cyber infrastructure by building cybersecurity governance, preparing and defending the state from cybersecurity events, and growing the nation’s cybersecurity workforce; 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 Stop.Think.Connect.™ Campaign serves as the national cybersecurity public awareness campaign, implemented through a coalition of private companies, nonprofit and government organizations, and academic institutions working together to increase the understanding of cyber threats and empowering Americans to be safer and more secure online; and

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Critical Infrastructure Cyber Community (C3) Voluntary Program are free resources to help all organizations to implement the NIST Cybersecurity Framework and improve their cybersecurity practices; 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 State of Hawai'i’s information, infrastructure, and economy; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States of America and several organizations all recognize October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month and all citizens are encouraged to visit these websites to learn about cybersecurity to put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses;
  • U.S. Department of Homeland Security (www.dhs.gov/cyber),
  • Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (www.cisecurity.org/ms-isac),
  • National Association of State Chief Information Officers (www.nascio.org),
  • National Cyber Security Alliance (www.staysafeonline.org),
  • Hawai'i Department of Defense (dod.hawaii.gov),
  • Office of Enterprise Technology Services (ets.hawaii.gov), and
  • Stop.Think.Connect. Campaign (www.dhs.gov/stopthinkconnect or www.stopthinkconnect.org)

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 2017 as

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in Hawai'i and encourage the citizens of the Aloha State to join us in encouraging our citizens to remember that maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this fourth day of October 2017.

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i