

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC), the National Association of State Chief Information Officers (NASCIO), and the National Cybersecurity Alliance (NCA) recognize the importance of promoting cybersecurity awareness to protect the nation's citizens, businesses, and critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, October has been designated as Cybersecurity Awareness Month, now in its 21st year, to encourage all Americans to take proactive steps in securing their online presence and to educate individuals about the ever-growing cyber threats facing our interconnected world; and

WHEREAS, the theme for this year's campaign, Secure Our World, emphasizes the shared responsibility that everyone has in ensuring the security of our digital environments and urges all citizens, organizations, and governments to take measurable actions to reduce cyber risks and promote safe online practices; and

WHEREAS, the reliance on interconnected technology in our daily lives—from accessing city and town services to shopping at local businesses—reminds us of the critical need to adopt sound cybersecurity practices that protect both public and private sector organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), in partnership with MS-ISAC, NASCIO, and NCA, has made available a wealth of free resources, including those under the new Secure Our World program, to help educate the public and organizations about the steps they can take to reduce their exposure to cyber threats; and

WHEREAS, continued support from elected officials is vital to fostering cybersecurity awareness and ensuring that all citizens, small businesses, and large organizations are protected from the growing threat of cyber attacks; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of our state to join in this nationwide effort to empower our citizens, secure our communities, and protect our critical infrastructure from malicious cyber actors; and

THEREFORE I, JOSH GREEN. M.D., Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2024 as

"Cybersecurity Month"

in Hawai'i, and I urge all citizens, businesses, and government entities to join in promoting cybersecurity awareness and to commit to adopting safer online practices throughout the year.

Done at the State Capitol in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, on the 1st day of October 2024

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i