

STATE OF OREGON

PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

- WHEREAS:** The cybersecurity of the state of Oregon is vital to protecting the safety, privacy, and economic well-being of its residents, businesses, and government institutions; and
- WHEREAS:** Cybersecurity Awareness Month, observed annually in October, emphasizes the shared responsibility of all Oregonians to strengthen digital defenses against evolving cyber threats; and
- WHEREAS:** The 2025 Cybersecurity Awareness Month theme, "Stay Safe Online," championed by the National Cybersecurity Alliance, promotes practical steps such as using strong, unique passwords, enabling multi-factor authentication, recognizing and reporting phishing attempts, and regularly updating software to secure personal and professional digital environments; and
- WHEREAS:** Cybercrime, including ransomware and data breaches, poses an escalating threat to Oregon's communities, targeting businesses, healthcare systems, and public institutions, underscoring the urgent need for collective action to safeguard our digital infrastructure; and
- WHEREAS:** By adopting cybersecurity best practices and promptly reporting cybercrimes to appropriate authorities, Oregonians can help mitigate risks and contribute to a safer, more resilient digital future for our state.

NOW,

THEREFORE: I, Tina Kotek, Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby proclaim October 2025 to be

CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

in Oregon and encourage all Oregonians to join in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause the Great Seal of the State of Oregon to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Salem in the State of Oregon on this day September 22, 2025.



Tina Kotek, Governor

Tobias Read, Secretary of State

