



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

State Capitol  
Boise

*The Office of the Governor*  
**Proclamation**

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho 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, 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, as well as academic institutions working together to increase the understanding of cyber threats and empowering the American public to be safer and more secure online; and

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework has been developed as a free resource to help organizations (large and small, both public and private) improve their cybersecurity practices through a practical approach to addressing evolving threats and challenges; 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 Idaho's information, infrastructure, and economy; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government of the United States of America, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security ([www.dhs.gov/cyber](http://www.dhs.gov/cyber)), the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center ([msisac.cisecurity.org](http://msisac.cisecurity.org)), the National Association of State Chief Information Officers ([www.nascio.org](http://www.nascio.org)), and the National Cybersecurity Alliance ([www.staysafeonline.org](http://www.staysafeonline.org)) all recognize October as "National Cyber Security Awareness Month"; and all citizens are encouraged to visit these websites, along with the State of Idaho Cybersecurity Awareness website - [www.cybersecurity.idaho.gov](http://www.cybersecurity.idaho.gov) - and the STOP. THINK. CONNECT.™ Campaign website - [www.stopthinkconnect.org](http://www.stopthinkconnect.org) - to learn about cybersecurity and to put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces and businesses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C. L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 2018 to be

**NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY  
AWARENESS MONTH**

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-third and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-ninth.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

LAWRENCE DENNEY  
SECRETARY OF STATE