



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Cybersecurity threats endanger safety, privacy, and trust; and
- WHEREAS: Collaboration among government agencies, businesses, schools, and the public strengthens our collective defense against evolving cyber risks; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota’s critical infrastructure, education systems, and workforce rely on secure, resilient information systems and technology; and
- WHEREAS: Cybersecurity education and awareness are essential for everyone — from large corporations and small businesses to schools, financial institutions, government agencies, and individuals; and
- WHEREAS: To protect against phishing, ransomware, malware, financial loss, data breaches, and other cyber threats, everyone can take proactive steps, such as using strong and unique passwords for each account, using multi-factor authentication, keeping software updated, and safely managing internet-connected devices; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesota IT Services and our public and private-sector partners work every day to secure the systems and data that deliver essential services and support Minnesota’s economic, health, and social well-being; and
- WHEREAS: October marks Cybersecurity Awareness Month, a time for Minnesotans to learn about cybersecurity and apply best practices at home, school, the workplace, and communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM WALZ, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim October 2025 as:

CYBERSECURITY  
AWARENESS MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand  
and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be  
affixed at the State Capitol this 29<sup>th</sup> day of September.



  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE