



THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING OCTOBER 2025 AS

Cybersecurity Awareness Month

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the vital role that technology has in our daily lives and in the future of our Nation, whereby today many citizens, schools, libraries, businesses and other organizations use the Internet for a variety of tasks, including keeping in contact with family and friends, managing personal finances, performing research, enhancing education and conducting business; and

**WHEREAS**, Internet users and our information infrastructure face an increasing threat of malicious cyber-attacks with potentially significant financial and personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud; and

**WHEREAS**, **CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH** encourages both individuals and organizations to adopt practical actions to protect data and increase digital security; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has established the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications and devoted resources within it solely to support the strengthening and securing of the country’s cyber infrastructure at the state, local, tribal, and territorial levels; and

**WHEREAS**, the Stop.Think.Connect.TM Campaign ([www.stopthinkconnect.org](http://www.stopthinkconnect.org)) is a national effort coordinated by a coalition of private companies, nonprofits and government organizations to raise awareness about cybersecurity among all digital citizens, helping them to stay safer and more secure online; and

**WHEREAS**, the theme for this year’s **CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH** for 2025 is, “Secure Our World” and will continue to focus on four behaviors: 1) Use strong passwords; 2) Recognize and report phishing; 3) Turn on multifactor authentication (MFA); and 4) Update software; and

**WHEREAS**, maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of San Mateo County information infrastructure and economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center, the National Association of State Chief Information Officers and the National Cybersecurity Alliance have declared October as **NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH**, and all citizens are encouraged to visit these sites, and Stop.Think.Connect ([www.stopthinkconnect.org](http://www.stopthinkconnect.org)) to learn about cybersecurity; and put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces and businesses.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED** that the Board of Supervisors of San Mateo County, State of California, hereby designates October 2025 as **CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH**.

*Dated:                   October 7, 2025*

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