

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; the state plays a vital role in identifying, protecting its residents from, and responding to cybersecurity threats that may have a significant impact on individual and collective safety and privacy; and

*WHEREAS*; critical infrastructure is increasingly reliant on information systems and technology to support financial services, energy, commerce, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, healthcare, emergency response systems, and more; and

*WHEREAS*; cybersecurity education and awareness are crucial for any individual or organization that is connected to the internet, from large corporations and financial institutions to government agencies, educational institutions, small businesses, and at-home users; and

*WHEREAS*; all Wisconsinites are reminded of the importance of monitoring their online accounts, being conscientious of what they share online, keeping computer software up to date, creating unique passwords with two-factor authentication, changing passwords regularly, installing anti-virus programs and firewalls, and using mobile devices safely; and

*WHEREAS*; the theme of this year's National Cyber Security Awareness Month campaign, "See Yourself in Cyber," is dedicated to increasing the public's understanding of cyber threats and empowering everyone to better protect themselves from phishing, viruses, malware, financial loss, and the loss of sensitive data and identifying information; and

*WHEREAS*; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection, in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Administration and Wisconsin Emergency Management, in encouraging individuals and businesses across our state to protect their identity, data, and devices while using the internet, and reaffirms its commitment to providing the resources and information necessary to stay safe online and connect with confidence;

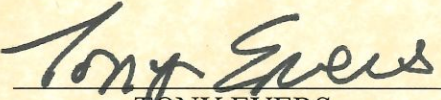
*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim October 2022 as

## NATIONAL CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused the  
Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin  
to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in  
the City of Madison this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of  
September 2022.

  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State