

WHEREAS, the City of San Rafael recognizes that it plays a vital role in identifying,

protecting its residents from, and responding to cybersecurity threats that may have significant impacts to our individual and collective safety and

privacy; and

WHEREAS, critical infrastructure (i.e., financial services, educational institutions,

energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems, etc.) is increasingly reliant on the support of

information systems and technology; and

WHEREAS, cybersecurity education and awareness are crucial for everyone, including

small businesses, financial institutions, schools, government agencies, non-profit organizations, home users, and anyone who connects to the internet, be it with a computer, mobile phone, or other internet-connected device;

and

WHEREAS, monitoring your accounts, being conscientious about what you share

online, keeping computer software up to date, creating unique passwords and changing them regularly, installing antivirus programs and firewalls, and using mobile devices and other internet-connected devices safely, are ways people and organizations can protect themselves from phishing, viruses, ransomware, other types of malware, financial loss, and loss of

sensitive data; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council are dedicated to the implementation and

success of Cybersecurity Awareness Month, to help the community of San

Rafael stay safe online and connect with confidence.

NOW, THEREFORE, WE, the Mayor and City Council of San Rafael, do hereby proclaim the Month of October 2023,

Cybersecurity Awareness Month

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Mayor