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WHEREAS:

the month of October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month and the

theme for 2024 is "Secure Our World"; and

WHEREAS:

Cybersecurity Awareness Month is an international initiative that

educates everyone about on-line safety and empowers individuals

and businesses to protect their data from cybercrime; and

WHEREAS:

since 2004, the President of the United States and Congress have declared October to be Cybersecurity Awareness Month, time dedicated for the public and private sectors to work together to

raise awareness about the importance of cybersecurity; and

WHEREAS:

even amidst large-scale data breaches and cyberattacks, Cybersecurity Awareness Month reminds everyone that there are simple, effective ways to keep yourself safe online, protect your

personal data, and ultimately help secure our world; and

WHEREAS:

the campaign focuses on the top four ways to stay safe online: (1) Use Strong Passwords, (2) Turn on Multifactor Authentication, (3) Update Software, and (4) Recognize and Report Phishing; and

WHEREAS:

over the years it has grown into a collaborative effort between government and industry to enhance cybersecurity awareness, encourage actions by the public to reduce online risk, and generate discussion on cyber threats on a national and global scale. October 2024 marks the 21st Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rex Hardin, as Mayor of the City of Pompano Beach, and on behalf of the City Commission, hereby proclaim the month of October 2024 as Cybersecurity Awareness Month in the City of Pompano Beach and encourage all residents to support this effort and educate yourself about online safety.

DONE this 8th day of October, 2024.

REX HARDIN MAYOR