



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of Cyber Security Awareness Month

WHEREAS, Cyber Security Awareness Month reminds us of 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, Cyber Security Awareness Month recognizes that the use of the Internet at the primary and secondary school levels in this State enhances the education of youth by providing them access to online educational and research materials; and at institutions of higher education, the use of information technology is integral to teaching and learning, research, and outreach and service; and

WHEREAS, Cyber Security Awareness Month also recognizes that Internet users and our information infrastructure face an increasing threat of malicious cyber-attack, loss of privacy from spyware and adware and significant financial and personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud; and

WHEREAS, Cyber Security Awareness Month encourages participation in the "Stop.Think.Connect. Campaign" (www.stopthinkconnect.org), which is a national effort coordinated by a coalition of private companies, nonprofits and government organizations to help all digital citizens stay safer and more secure online; and

WHEREAS, Cyber Security Awareness Month salutes the efforts of the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center, which provides a collaborative mechanism to help state, local, territorial and tribal governments enhance cyber security; and State of Hawai'i Department of Defense, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Department of the Attorney General, and Department of Accounting and General Services, Information and Communications Services Division, and Office of Information Management and Technology, provide a comprehensive approach to help enhance the security of this State; 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 Cyber Security Alliance have declared October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month; and all citizens are encouraged to visit these sites, along with the State of Hawai'i Cyber Security website (<http://hawaii.gov/dags/icsd/cst>) and "Stop.Think.Connect" (www.stopthinkconnect.org), to learn about cyber security; and put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses;

THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim October 2012 as

"CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH"

in Hawai'i and urge people of the Aloha State to remember that maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-fourth day of September, 2012.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i