

Office of the Mayor



Proclamation

WHEREAS, the City of Venice recognizes that it has a vital role in identifying, protecting its residents from, and responding to cybersecurity threats that may have a significant impact to our individual and collective security and privacy; and

WHEREAS, Cybersecurity Awareness Month was launched by the National Cyber Security Alliance and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in 2004 as a broad effort to help all Americans stay safe and more secure online; and

WHEREAS, critical infrastructure sectors are reliant on information systems and technology to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, and emergency response systems; and

WHEREAS, the theme for Cybersecurity Awareness Month in 2024 is, 'Secure Your World', demonstrating the importance of taking daily action to reduce risk when online and connected to devices by utilizing four simple actions: recognizing & reporting phishing, using strong passwords, turning on multi factor authentication (MFA), and keeping software updated; and

WHEREAS, maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role to play, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of the City of Venice's information, infrastructure, and economy; and

WHEREAS, the federal government of the United States of America, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center, the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency, the National Association of State Chief Information Officers, and the National Cyber Security Alliance all recognize October as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Nick Pachota, Mayor of the City of Venice, Florida, on behalf of the Venice City Council, do hereby proclaim October 2024 as

National Cybersecurity Awareness Month

In the City of Venice and encourage all citizens to learn about cybersecurity and put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Venice to be affixed this 24th day of September, 2024.

Nick Pachota, Mayor