## IN RECOGNITION OF CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

## **OCTOBER 2021**

- **WHEREAS,** THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD RECOGNIZES THAT IT PLAYS A VITAL ROLE IN IDENTIFYING AND PROTECTING ITS RESIDENTS FROM, OR RESPONDING TO, CYBERSECURITY THREATS THAT MAY HAVE SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THEIR 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 IS CRUCIAL FOR EVERYONE, INCLUDING LARGE CORPORATIONS, SMALL BUSINESSES, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, SCHOOLS, GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, 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 OF 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, MANY AGENCIES INCLUDING THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, THE NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICERS ORGANIZATION AND OTHERS, RECOGNIZE OCTOBER AS CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH. THESE AGENCIES ALSO PROMOTE STOP. THINK. CONNECT.™, (WWW.STOPTHINKCONNECT.ORG), WHICH SERVES AS THE NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN. THIS CAMPAIGN WAS IMPLEMENTED THROUGH A COALITION OF THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS WORKING TOGETHER TO INCREASE THE PUBLIC'S UNDERSTANDING OF CYBER THREATS AND EMPOWERING AMERICANS TO BE SAFER AND MORE SECURE ONLINE; AND
- WHEREAS, MAINTAINING THE SECURITY OF CYBERSPACE IS A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY IN WHICH EACH OF US HAS A CRITICAL ROLE TO PLAY. AWARENESS OF ESSENTIAL CYBER HYGIENE WILL IMPROVE THE SECURITY OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD'S INFORMATION, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND ECONOMY. ALL RESIDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO LEARN ABOUT CYBERSECURITY AND PUT THAT KNOWLEDGE INTO PRACTICE IN THEIR HOMES, SCHOOLS, AND WORKPLACES; NOW
- **THEREFORE,** JOSH LEVY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AND THE HOLLYWOOD CITY COMMISSION, HEREBY PROCLAIM OCTOBER 2021, AS:

## CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

SIGNED THIS 6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021, AT HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA

MAYOR JOSH LEVY VICE MAYOR LINDA SHERWOOD COMMISSIONER CARYL S. SHUHAM COMMISSIONER LINDA HILL ANDERSON COMMISSIONER TRACI L. CALLARI COMMISSIONER ADAM GRUBER COMMISSIONER KEVIN D. BIEDERMAN