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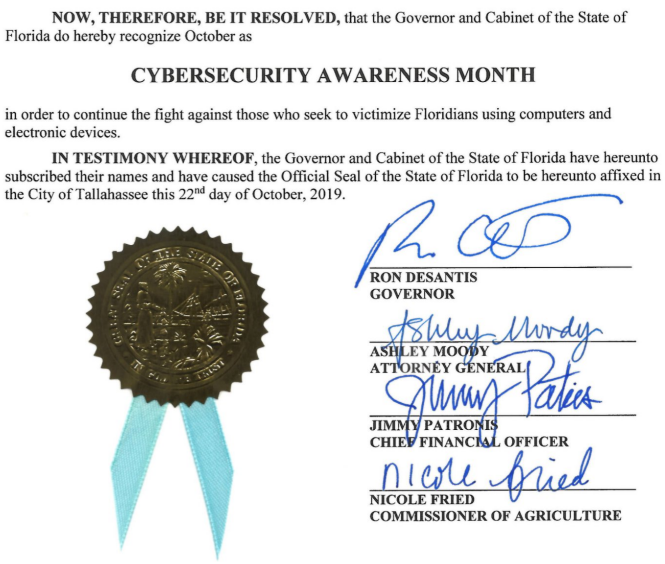
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AG Moody Sponsors Cybersecurity Resolution



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governor and Cabinet of the State of Florida do hereby recognize October as

CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

in order to continue the fight against those who seek to victimize Floridians using computers and electronic devices.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Governor and Cabinet of the State of Florida have hereunto subscribed their names and have caused the Official Seal of the State of Florida to be hereunto affixed in the City of Tallahassee this 22nd day of October, 2019.

RON DESANTIS
GOVERNOR

ASHLEY MOODY
ATTORNEY GENERAL

JIMMY PATRONIS
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

NICOLE FRIED
COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—Attorney General Ashley Moody today presented a resolution at a Florida Cabinet Meeting recognizing October as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month. NCSAM emphasizes personal accountability, stressing the importance of taking necessary precautions to improve cybersecurity at home and at work. The Governor and Florida Cabinet unanimously passed the resolution.

Attorney General Ashley Moody said, “The rapid growth of criminal activity on the internet is a serious threat to Floridians. Please be aware of the harmful tricks that scammers and cybercriminals utilize in an effort to steal your money and identity. Make sure you are equipped with up-to-date and secure programs to protect your personal and sensitive information—and if you see cyber fraud, contact my office by calling 1(866) 9NO-SCAM or visit MyFloridaLegal.com .”

The Federal Trade Commission’s 2018 Consumer Sentinel Network Data Book indicates that Florida experienced the second most identity theft reports in the country. Florida also received the fourth most data breaches nationwide in the last 10 years of any state, according to a study by Comparitech. The most common targets of scammers and cybercriminals are businesses, government agencies and seniors.

Earlier this month, Attorney General Moody issued a Consumer Alert providing general online safety tips to avoid common online scams. To view the Consumer Alert and video, click here.

To view a copy of the resolution, click here.

Attorney General Moody encourages Floridians to report instances of online scams or cybercrimes by visiting MyFloridaLegal.com, or calling 1(866) 9NO-SCAM.