PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Alexandria, Virginia, recognizes the rapidly growing importance of cybersecurity in our modern digital era and is dedicated to protecting the personal information, data, and online safety of its residents, businesses, and government systems; and

WHEREAS, the City understands that protecting our community from cyber threats is essential, and that investing in cybersecurity tools and education is a key part of building a strong, safe, and connected city; and

WHEREAS, the City also acknowledges the vital role local government plays in raising awareness, educating the public, and encouraging smart and safe online behaviors among residents, businesses, and employees; and

WHEREAS, cybersecurity is not just a technical issue, but a shared responsibility that requires collaboration, learning, and consistent best practices across the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALYIA GASKINS, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2025 as:

"CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH"

in the City of Alexandria and reaffirm our strong commitment to keeping residents and businesses secure when using digital services. The City will continue to promote education around cybersecurity, encourage safe internet practices, and urge all community members to stay alert, protect their personal data, and take part in cybersecurity awareness activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 14th day of October 2025.

MAYOR ALYIA GASKINS
On behalf of the City Council
of Alexandria, Virginia

ATTEST:
Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk