The County of Centre PROCLAMATION

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WHEREAS, the Centre County Government recognizes the increasingly significant role technology plays in our daily lives. The rise of the Internet has brought incredible opportunity and new innovative ways to enhance the potential of our way of life. Centre County Government also recognizes that the Internet heightens the risk to our data and privacy; and

WHEREAS, the campaign for the 2019 National Cybersecurity Awareness Month serves as a collaborative effort between government and industry to raise awareness about the importance of cybersecurity and to ensure that all Americans have the resources they need to be more safe and secure online; and

WHEREAS, the campaign will emphasize personal accountability and stress the importance of taking proactive steps to enhance cybersecurity at home and in the workplace. This year the overarching message – Own IT. Secure IT. Protect IT. – will focus on the key areas of citizen privacy, consumer devices, and e-commerce security; and

WHEREAS, maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us plays a critical role in the awareness of computer security essentials that will improve the security of Centre County's information, infrastructure, and economy; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Government, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center recognize October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim October 2019 as "Cybersecurity Awareness Month" in Centre County and encourages all citizens to learn about cybersecurity and to put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses.

ADOPTED this 15th day of October 2019.

Michael Pipe, Chair

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