

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

PROCLAMATION NO. _____

**Proclaiming October 2013 as National Cyber Security Awareness Month in
Multnomah County, Oregon**

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. Counties recognize the vital role that the Internet and information technology play in the daily lives of county staff and residents. Many citizens, schools, libraries, businesses and other organizations use the Internet for a variety of tasks, including keeping in contact with family and friends, managing personal finances, performing research, enhancing education, and conducting business.
- b. Critical sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems.
- c. Internet users and the nation's information infrastructure face an increasing threat of malicious cyber attack, loss of privacy from spyware and adware and significant financial personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud.
- d. National Association of Counties President Chris Rodgers has established Cyber Security Awareness as a principal focus on his term and is encouraging the nation's county governments to enhance their cyber security efforts and encourage their citizens to adopt secure online practices.
- e. The Stop.Think.Connect. Campaign (www.stopthinkconnect.org) is a national effort coordinated by a coalition of private companies, nonprofits and government organizations to raise awareness about cybersecurity among all digital citizens, helping them stay safer and more secure online.
- f. The Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (www.msisac.org), a division of the nonprofit Center for Internet Security, provides a collaborative mechanism to help state, local, territorial and tribal governments enhance cyber security. Multnomah County provides a comprehensive approach to help enhance the security of this county.

- g. Maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of Multnomah County's information infrastructure and economy.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Proclaims:

October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month in Multnomah County, Oregon, to recognize the importance of cyber security and encourage citizens to engage in safe cyber practices in their homes, schools, workplaces and businesses.

ADOPTED this 10th day of October, 2013.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON**

Marissa Madrigal, Chair

SUBMITTED BY: Commissioner Loretta Smith, District 2