

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The state of South Dakota recognizes it has a vital role in identifying, protecting, and responding to cyber threats that may have significant impact to our individual and collective security and privacy; and,

*Whereas*, Critical infrastructure sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems; and,

*Whereas*, The Stop.Think.Connect.™ Campaign serves as the national cybersecurity public awareness campaign, implemented through a coalition of private companies, nonprofit and government organizations, as well as academic institutions working together to increase the understanding of cyber threats and empowering the American public 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, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of South Dakota's information infrastructure and economy; and,

*Whereas*, The President of the United States of America, the United States Department of Homeland Security, the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center, the National Cyber Security Alliance, and the National Association of State Chief Information Officers have declared October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 2016 as

### ***CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH***

in South Dakota.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of September in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.



*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Shantel Krebs*  
Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State