



# Proclamation

## To designate October 2024 as

### National Cybersecurity Awareness Month

**WHEREAS** information systems and technology are major components of the infrastructure of the City of El Mirage, supporting financial services, emergency response systems, water, and wastewater utilities and more; and

**WHEREAS** the frequency and complexity of malware, cyberattacks, and other virtual threats targeted at internet users and El Mirage's information technology infrastructure are increasing daily; and

**WHEREAS** strict security standards and measures for local government have been established, and are in place to protect the valuable and sensitive information entrusted to the City by citizens, businesses, and organizations, and require training for employees responsible for the care and secure handling of such electronic information; and

**WHEREAS** the 2024 Cybersecurity Awareness theme is "Secure our World" which empowers everyone to understand the simple ways to protect themselves, their families, and businesses from on-line threats; and

**WHEREAS**, maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each person has a critical role to play, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of El Mirage's information infrastructure and economy;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Alexis Hermosillo, Mayor of the City of El Mirage, do hereby recognize October 2024 as **NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH** in the City of El Mirage, and I call this observance to the attention of all El Mirage residents.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2024.

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**Alexis A. Hermosillo, Mayor**