

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

- WHEREAS,** technology plays a vital role in our daily lives and in the future of our nation; and
- WHEREAS,** critical sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems; and
- WHEREAS,** the use of the Internet at the primary and secondary school levels in Vermont enhances the education of youth by providing them access to online educational and research materials; and
- WHEREAS,** Internet users and information infrastructure face an increasing threat of malicious cyber attack, loss of privacy from spyware and adware, and significant financial and personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud; and
- WHEREAS,** the Stop.Think.Connect. Campaign is a national effort coordinated by a coalition of private companies, nonprofits and government organizations to help all digital citizens stay 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 the State of Vermont information infrastructure and economy; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim October 2011 as

CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont
this 3rd Day of October, A.D. 2011.

/S/
Peter Shumlin
Governor

