



*"The Peak of Good Living"*

TOWN OF APEX  
NORTH CAROLINA

## *Proclamation*

### **Cyber Security Awareness Month 2023**

*from the Office of the Mayor*

WHEREAS, Cyber Security Awareness Month is an internationally recognized campaign held each October to promote cyber security and offer education about its importance; and,

WHEREAS, The town's IT Department works hard to keep town and resident data safe and secure, and to ensure town employees can provide exceptional service to residents without interruption or danger; and,

WHEREAS, Risks to privacy online represent a serious threat to an individual's finances, medical history, identity information, and sensitive documents; and,

WHEREAS, This year's theme for Cybersecurity Awareness Month is, "it's easy to stay safe online", and there are 4 key behaviors people are encouraged to focus on to stay cyber secure: using strong passwords and a password manager, turning on multi-factor authentication, recognizing and reporting phishing, and keeping software updated; and,

WHEREAS, The Town of Apex recognizes its responsibility to safeguard the information entrusted to it by our residents, and to strive to take a proactive and adaptive approach to cyber security in order to uphold this duty now and in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jacques K. Gilbert, Mayor of Apex, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the Month of October 2023, "Cyber Security Awareness Month" in the Town of Apex, and encourage all residents to examine their internet habits and implement cyber security practices that can help keep themselves and their families safe from online threats.

I hereby set my hand and have caused the Seal of the Town of Apex, North Carolina, to be affixed this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023

Jacques Gilbert, Mayor