

Proclamation

Cybersecurity Awareness Month

WHEREAS, *the City of Lake City recognizes that cybersecurity is essential to protecting the City's critical infrastructure, public safety systems, financial operations, and the personal information entrusted to municipal departments; and*

WHEREAS, *cyber threats—such as phishing, social engineering, ransomware, malware, and identity theft—pose increasing risks to local governments, businesses, and residents, requiring strong awareness and proactive security practices as reflected in City training initiatives and security bulletins; and*

WHEREAS, *the City of Lake City's Information Technology Department maintains policies, training, and incident-response practices designed to safeguard systems and educate employees, promoting a culture where cybersecurity is a shared responsibility across all departments; and*

WHEREAS, *national partners such as the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) lead annual awareness efforts each October to inform individuals, organizations, and governments of best practices that strengthen community resilience against cyberattacks; and*

WHEREAS, *the City encourages all employees, residents, and businesses to improve their cyber hygiene by adopting multi-factor authentication, strong passwords, secure browsing habits, updated software, and vigilant reporting of suspicious activity;*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Noah Walker, Mayor of the City of Lake City, do hereby proclaim October 2026 as Cybersecurity Awareness Month in Lake City, Florida, and call upon City departments, local organizations, educational institutions, and members of the public to recognize the importance of cybersecurity and to engage in activities that build a safer digital community.



Seal of the City of Lake City
State of Florida

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused this seal to be affixed this day 5th of October 2026.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Noah Walker", written over a horizontal line.

Noah Walker, Mayor
City of Lake City