

# Proclamation



*Bob Buckhorn, Mayor*

**WHEREAS**, citizens, schools, libraries, businesses and other organizations use the Internet for a variety of tasks, including keeping in contact with family and friends, managing personal finances, performing research, enhancing education and conducting business; 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**, Internet users and our 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 Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center was established in January 2003 to provide a collaborative mechanism to help states and local governments enhance cyber security; and the City of Tampa Technology and Innovation Information Security Office provides a comprehensive approach to help enhance the security of this government; 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 City of Tampa information infrastructure and economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Homeland Security ([www.us-cert.gov](http://www.us-cert.gov)), Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center ([www.msisac.org](http://www.msisac.org)), National Cyber Security Alliance ([www.staysafeonline.org](http://www.staysafeonline.org)) and National Association of State Chief Information Officers ([www.nascio.org](http://www.nascio.org)) have declared October as **National Cyber Security Awareness Month**, and all citizens are encouraged to visit these sites to learn about cyber security and put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses.

**Now, therefore**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2012 as

## **CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH**

in the City of Tampa, Florida and encourage all citizens to become better informed about the risks of malicious cyber threats and to be proactive in protecting their personal and business information from the risks.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

