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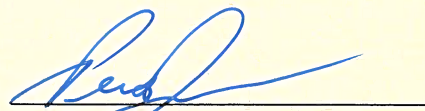
## Recognizing Cybersecurity Awareness Month and Efforts by a Local Student to Ensure People of All Ages Stay Safe Online

- WHEREAS,** there are more ways than ever to interact, do business, and be productive online – as well as more ways than ever for your identity, money, and overall safety to be threatened; and
- WHEREAS,** Cybersecurity Awareness Month began in 2004 to raise awareness about these dangers as well as to inform citizens, businesses, and governments what they can do to protect themselves virtually; and
- WHEREAS,** steps like spotting phishing scams, using strong passwords, going through secure connections, being social media-savvy, and making sure your software is up-to-date; and
- WHEREAS,** thankfully, there are several organizations and individuals who lend their time, expertise, and energy to promoting cybersecurity; and
- WHEREAS,** one of them is Ananya Tadepalli, who studied at Milton schools and authored a children's book called "Cyberville Chronicles;" and
- WHEREAS,** her book uses a character-driven narrative to educate and engage kids about how to smartly and effectively spot and deal with cyber criminals; and
- WHEREAS,** Milton applauds these and other such efforts that raise awareness and, in so doing, help protect people of all generations online.

**Now, therefore,** we — the Mayor and City Council of the City of Milton — proclaim October as Cybersecurity Awareness Month in the City of Milton.

**Given under my hand and seal of the City of Milton, Georgia on this 7th day of October 2024.**



  
Peyton Jamison, Mayor