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MC Federal Credit Union Announces a Commitment to Secure Our World by Taking Action during Cybersecurity Awareness Month to Reduce Cyber Risk

Cybersecurity Awareness Month highlights the growing importance of cybersecurity in our daily lives and encourages individuals and businesses to take important cybersecurity steps everyday to Secure Our World and stay safe online.

September 27, 2024 — MC Federal Credit Union is committed to cybersecurity education by participating in the 21st Annual Cybersecurity Awareness Month. Founded in 2004, Cybersecurity Awareness Month, held each October, is the world’s foremost initiative aimed at promoting cybersecurity awareness and best practices. Cybersecurity Awareness Month is a collaborative effort among businesses, government agencies, colleges and universities, associations, nonprofit organizations, tribal communities, and individuals committed to educating others about online safety.

“Cybersecurity is a threat to each and every one of us. MC Federal Credit Union is here as your trusted financial partner to provide you and your families with the tools needed to stay safe online,” said Elba Arenas, President and CEO.

From mobile devices to our desktop computers, technology is deeply intertwined in our lives. Emerging technologies have many great benefits, but with those new technologies come new opportunities for bad actors to disrupt our online activities at home, school, or at work. Cybersecurity Awareness Month aims to highlight some of the emerging challenges that exist in the world of cybersecurity and provide straightforward, actionable guidance that anyone can follow to create a safe and secure digital world for themselves and their loved ones.

The theme of Cybersecurity Awareness Month is *Secure Our World*, which encourages all of us to take four easy steps each day to ensure our online safety:

- Understand the benefits of using a password manager and dispelling existing myths around password manager security and ease of use.
- Turn on multifactor authentication on personal devices and business networks.
- Recognize and report phishing – still one of the primary threats used by cybercriminals today.
- Install updates on a regular basis and turn on automated updates.

Cybersecurity Awareness Month continues to build momentum and impact with the goal of providing everyone with the information they need to stay safe and more secure online. MC

Federal Credit Union is proud to support this critically important online safety awareness and education initiative, led by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency and the National Cybersecurity Alliance.

For more information about Cybersecurity Awareness Month and how to participate, visit <https://mcfcu.org/security/cybersecurity-awareness/>.

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About MC Federal Credit Union

As a local financial institution, MC Federal Credit Union has remained committed to building relationships with local communities, organizations, and people within the five county regions we serve. We are proud of our history. Chartered in 1954 to serve the employees at Merck & Company's Cherokee Plant in Riverside, P.A., MC Federal has grown beyond the Merck Employer group and continues to expand in surrounding communities. Today, MC Federal has six branch locations located in Riverside, Danville, Bloomsburg, Lewisburg, and Mount Carmel serving over 13,000 members from over 350 employer groups and various communities.

The credit union difference is championed at MC Federal, a full-service financial institution, where deposits are insured by the NCUA. We provide a multitude of convenient services tailored for all ages and lifestyles. MC Federal sets the standard with competitive rates, cutting edge products and services, and world-class service. We are truly defining the credit union difference in the communities we serve.