## **EXHIBIT A**



<<First Name>> <<Middle>> <<Last Name>> <<Suffix>> <<Address1>> <<Address2>> <<City>>, <<State>> <<Country>>

Enrollment Code: << ENROLLMENT>>
To Enroll, Scan the QR Code Below:

SCAN ME

Or Visit: https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect

May 29, 2025

Dear <<First Name>> <<Middle>> <<Last Name>> <<Suffix>>:

The City of St. Cloud, Florida (the "City") writes to notify you of an event that may involve some of your information. The confidentiality, privacy, and security of information in our care is among of our highest priorities, and we take this event very seriously. Upon becoming aware of the event, we moved quickly to investigate and respond, assess the security of the City's network, and notify potentially affected individuals. We are notifying potentially affected individuals, including you, so that you may take further steps to best protect your information, should you feel it is necessary to do so.

Our investigation determined that the following types of information related to you were potentially impacted: your name and <<u>Variable Text 3</u>: Data>>><<u>Variable Text 3</u>: Data

Due to the requirements of Massachusetts law, we are not able to provide further details about the nature of the event in this letter. However, additional information and resources regarding steps you can take to help protect your information are included below. As an added precaution, we are also offering you access to <12/24>> months of complimentary credit monitoring and identity theft protection services through IDX. To enroll in these services, please follow the steps below.

## **Enroll in Credit and Identity Monitoring**

- **1. Website and Enrollment.** Scan the QR image or go to <a href="https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect">https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect</a> and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code provided at the top of the letter.
- **2. Activate the credit monitoring** provided as part of your IDX identity protection membership. The monitoring included in the membership must be activated to be effective. Note: You must have established credit and access to a computer and the internet to use this service. If you need assistance, IDX will be able to assist you.
- **3. Telephone.** Contact IDX at 1-800-939-4170 to gain additional information about this event and speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

## **Monitor Your Accounts**

Under U.S. law, a consumer is entitled to one free credit report annually from each of the three major credit reporting bureaus, Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. To order your free credit report, visit <a href="www.annualcreditreport.com">www.annualcreditreport.com</a> or call, toll-free, 1-877-322-8228. You may also directly contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below to request a free copy of your credit report.

Consumers have the right to place an initial or extended "fraud alert" on a credit file at no cost. An initial fraud alert is a 1-year alert that is placed on a consumer's credit file. Upon seeing a fraud alert display on a consumer's credit file, a business is required to take steps to verify the consumer's identity before extending new credit. If you are a victim of identity theft, you are entitled to an extended fraud alert, which is a fraud alert lasting seven years. Should you wish to place a fraud alert, please contact any one of the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below.

As an alternative to a fraud alert, consumers have the right to place a "credit freeze" on a credit report, which will prohibit a credit bureau from releasing information in the credit report without the consumer's express authorization. The credit freeze is designed to prevent credit, loans, and services from being approved in your name without your consent. However, you should be aware that using a credit freeze to take control over who gets access to the personal and financial information in your credit report may delay, interfere with, or prohibit the timely approval of any subsequent request or application you make regarding a new loan, credit, mortgage, or any other account involving the extension of credit. Pursuant to federal law, you cannot be charged to place or lift a credit freeze on your credit report. To request a security freeze, you may need to provide the following information, depending on whether you make the request online, by phone, or by mail:

- 1. Full name (including middle initial as well as Jr., Sr., II, III, etc.);
- 2. Social Security number;
- 3. Date of birth;
- 4. Addresses for the prior two to five years;
- 5. Proof of current address, such as a current utility bill or telephone bill;
- 6. A legible photocopy of a government-issued identification card (state driver's license or ID card, etc.);
- 7. Social Security Card, pay stub, or W2;
- 8. If you are a victim of identity theft, include a copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft.

Should you wish to place a credit freeze, please contact the three major credit reporting bureaus listed below:

Equifax	Experian	TransUnion
https://www.equifax.com/personal/credit-report-services/	https://www.experian.com/help/	https://www.transunion.com/get- credit-report https://www.transunion.com/credit- freeze https://www.transunion.com/fraud- alerts
1-888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	1-833-799-5355
Equifax Fraud Alert, P.O. Box 105069	Experian Fraud Alert, P.O. Box	TransUnion, P.O. Box 2000,
Atlanta, GA 30348-5069	9554, Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
Equifax Credit Freeze, P.O. Box 105788	Experian Credit Freeze, P.O.	TransUnion, PO Box 2000 Chester,
Atlanta, GA 30348-5788	Box 9554, Allen, TX 75013	PA 19016

Under Massachusetts law, you have the right to obtain any police report filed in regard to this incident. If you are the victim of identity theft, you also have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it.

You may further educate yourself regarding identity theft, fraud alerts, credit freezes, and the steps you can take to protect your personal information by contacting the consumer reporting bureaus, the Federal Trade Commission, or your state Attorney General. The Federal Trade Commission may be reached at: 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20580; <a href="www.identitytheft.gov">www.identitytheft.gov</a>; 1-877-ID-THEFT (1-877-438-4338); and TTY: 1-866-653-4261. The Federal Trade Commission also encourages those who discover that their information has been misused to file a complaint with them. You can obtain further information on how to file such a complaint by way of the contact information listed above. You have the right to file a police report if you ever experience identity theft or fraud. Please note that in order to file a report with law enforcement for identity theft, you will likely need to provide some proof that you have been a victim. Instances of known or suspected identity theft should also be reported to law enforcement and your state Attorney General. This notice has not been delayed by law enforcement.

## **For More Information**

We understand you may have questions about the event that are not addressed in this letter. If you have questions or need assistance, please call 1-800-939-4170 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. You may also write to the City at City of St. Cloud, City Clerk's Office, 1300 9<sup>th</sup> Street, St. Cloud, FL 34769.

Sincerely,

The City of St. Cloud, Florida