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Enrollment Code: <<ENROLLMENT>>
Enrollment Deadline: January 13, 2027
To Enroll, Scan the QR Code Below:

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October 13, 2026

NOTICE OF DATA SECURITY INCIDENT

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>:

Murray County, Georgia (the "County"), is writing to tell you about a ransomware attack that impacted protected information maintained by the County. We take this matter very seriously because of our commitment to the privacy and security of all County information in our possession. We are providing this notice to inform you of the incident, offer complimentary identity monitoring services, and suggest ways that you can further protect your information.

What Information Was Involved

The impacted data included your <<Variable Text 1: Data>>.

What We Are Doing About It

As soon as we learned about this incident, our team immediately began the process of securing our network and starting an investigation. To further enhance our security and to help prevent similar occurrences in the future, we have taken or will be taking the following steps:

1. Deployed security tools to enhance detection and accelerate response to cyber incidents;
2. Actively monitoring our network using endpoint detection tools;
3. Strengthened network access requirements;
4. Enhancing protection of personal data maintained by the County; and
5. Conducting an enterprise-wide password reset.

Additionally, we notified the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency and will notify all other appropriate state regulators.

What You Can Do

We recommend that you take the following preventative measures to help protect your information:

1. Enroll in complimentary identity theft protection services through IDX. IDX identity protection services include: 24 months of credit and CyberScan monitoring, a $1,000,000 insurance reimbursement policy, and fully managed ID theft recovery services. With this protection, IDX will help you resolve issues if your identity is compromised. To enroll, scan the QR code at the top of this letter or follow the instructions included at the end of this letter.

2. Remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by regularly reviewing your account statements and free credit reports for any unauthorized or suspicious activity. Information on additional ways to protect your information, including how to obtain a free credit report and free security freeze, can be found at the end of this notice.

3. Report any incidents of suspected identity theft to your local law enforcement, state Attorney General, and the major credit bureaus. **As a Massachusetts resident, you have the right to obtain any police report filed about this incident. If you are a victim of identity theft, you also have the right to file a police report and obtain a copy of it concerning any fraud or identity theft committed using your personal information.**

For More Information

We would like to apologize for the occurrence of this incident. The privacy and security of your information is important to us, and we remain committed to protecting it. If you have any questions or concerns about this incident, please call our dedicated assistance line at 1-888-204-1625, between 9:00 am to 9:00 pm Eastern Time, Monday-Friday, excluding major holidays.

Sincerely,

Noah Bishop
Sole County Commissioner

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT IDENTITY THEFT AND WAYS TO PROTECT YOURSELF

Visit https://www.experian.com/blogs/ask-experian/category/fraud-and-identity-theft/ for general information regarding identity protection. You can obtain additional information about fraud alerts, security freezes, and preventing identity theft from the consumer reporting agencies listed below and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) by calling its identity theft hotline: 877-438-4338; TTY: 1-866-653-4261. They also provide information online at https://consumer.ftc.gov/features/identity-theft. The FTC's address is: Federal Trade Commission, Division of Privacy and Identity Protection, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580. You have the ability to place a security freeze on your credit reports by contacting the following agencies.

National Credit Reporting Agencies Contact Information

Equifax	**Experian**	**TransUnion**
P.O. Box 105788	P.O. Box 9554	P.O. Box 2000
Atlanta, GA 30348	Allen, TX 75013	Chester, PA 19016
1-888-298-0045	1-888-397-3742	1-833-799-5355
www.equifax.com	www.experian.com	www.transunion.com

Obtain Your Credit Report

You should also monitor your credit reports. You may periodically obtain your credit reports from each of the national consumer reporting agencies. In addition, under federal law, you are entitled to one free copy of your credit report every 12 months from each of the three nationwide consumer reporting agencies listed above. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report by going to www.AnnualCreditReport.com or by calling (877) 322-8228. You also may complete the Annual Credit Report Request Form available from the FTC at https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/sites/www.consumer.ftc.gov/files/articles/pdf/pdf-0093-annual-report-request-form.pdf and mail it to Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 105281, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281. You may also contact any of the three major consumer reporting agencies to request a copy of your credit report. You may be able to obtain one or more (depending on the state) additional copies of your credit report, free of charge. You must contact each of the credit reporting agencies directly.

If you discover inaccurate information or a fraudulent transaction on your credit report, you have the right to request that the consumer reporting agency delete that information from your credit report file.

Fraud Alerts

You may want to consider placing a fraud alert on your credit report. An initial fraud alert is free and will stay on your credit file for one year. The alert informs creditors of possible fraudulent activity within your report and requests that the creditor contact you prior to establishing any new accounts in your name. To place a fraud alert on your credit report, contact any of the three national credit reporting agencies using the contact information listed above. As soon as one credit bureau confirms the fraud alert, they will notify the others. Additional information is available at www.annualcreditreport.com.

Security Freeze

You have the ability to place a security freeze on your credit report at no cost to you. A security freeze is intended to prevent credit, loans and services from being approved in your name without your consent. To place a security freeze on your credit report, you may be able to use an online process, an automated telephone line, or a written request to all three of the credit reporting agencies listed above. The following information must be included when requesting a security freeze (note that if you are requesting a credit report for your spouse, this information must be provided for him/her as well): (1) full name, with middle initial and any suffixes; (2) Social Security number; (3) date of birth; (4) current address and any previous addresses for the past five years; (5) a legible copy of a government-issued identification card, (6) proof of current address, such as a legible copy of a recent utility bill or bank or insurance statement, (7) a legible copy of a recent W-2, pay stub, or Social Security card, and (8) if you are a victim of identity theft, a copy of either the police report, investigative report, or complaint to a law enforcement agency concerning identity theft. It is essential that each copy be legible, display your name and current mailing address, and the date of issue. **Under federal law, you cannot be charged to place, lift, or remove a security freeze.**

After receiving your freeze request, each credit reporting company will send you a confirmation letter containing a unique PIN (personal identification number) or password. Keep the PIN or password in a safe place, you will need it if you choose to lift the freeze. If you place a security freeze prior to enrolling in credit monitoring services, you will need to remove the freeze in order to sign up for the credit monitoring service.

Additional Helpful Information

Even if you do not find any suspicious activity on your initial credit reports, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) recommends that you check your credit reports periodically. Checking your credit report periodically can help you spot problems and address them quickly.

If you find suspicious activity on your credit reports or have reason to believe your information is being misused, call your local law enforcement agency and file a police report. Be sure to obtain a copy of the police report, as many creditors will want the information it contains to absolve you of the fraudulent debts. You may also file a complaint with the FTC by contacting them at the information provided above. This notice was not delayed as a result of a law enforcement investigation.

If your personal information has been used to file a false tax return, to open an account or to attempt to open an account in your name, or to commit fraud or other crimes against you, you may file a police report in the city in which you currently reside.

STATE SPECIFIC INFORMATION

MASSACHUSETTS residents: There is no charge for requesting a security freeze, and you have the right to file and obtain a copy of a police report concerning any fraud or identity theft committed using your personal information.

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Credit Monitoring Enrollment Instructions

1. Website and Enrollment. Scan the QR image or go to https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect and follow the instructions for enrollment using your Enrollment Code provided at the top of the letter. The deadline to enroll is January 13, 2027.

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 1-888-204-1625 to gain additional information about this event and speak with knowledgeable representatives about the appropriate steps to take to protect your credit identity.

If you discover any suspicious items in your credit report and have enrolled in IDX identity protection, notify them immediately by calling or by logging into the IDX website and filing a request for help.

If you file a request for help or report suspicious activity, you will be contacted by a member of IDX's ID Care team who will help you determine the cause of the suspicious items. In the event that you fall victim to identity theft as a consequence of this incident, you will be assigned an ID Care Specialist who will work on your behalf to identify, stop and reverse the damage quickly.