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**National Cyber Exchange and ISSA-COS Chapter
Announce CyberAlliance+ Partnership**

COLORADO SPRINGS – January 20, 2020 – National Cyber Exchange (NCX) and Information Systems Security Association Colorado Springs (ISSA-COS) Chapter announce a CyberAlliance+ Partnership to benefit members. With growing cybersecurity threats to our nation that target citizens, businesses and institutions of government, the alliance between NCX and ISSA-COS holds the promise of developing a new type of local, regional and national collaboration. This alliance will enable the sharing of membership resources, education, awareness and cyber threat sharing not only to benefit the ISSA-COS professionals, but C-Suite executives, small businesses and individuals.

"ISSA-COS is thrilled to partner with NCX. The services and support we offer one another will mutually strengthen our organizations for years to come. More importantly, the sharing of collateral information between our organizations will significantly increase the value and benefits for our members. Together, we will become stronger than we would otherwise be apart," explains Ernest Campos, President ISSA-COS.

"Two are better than one ...this principle rings true in this alliance with NCX and ISSA-COS. We have many hopes for the year ahead as these two great organizations collaborate to provide resources, threat sharing and solutions to the ever-increasing cybersecurity threat," states Darla Lindt, CyRM (Cyber Risk Manager) and Executive Director of NCX and lead cyber risk/insurance professional.

ISSA-COS supports approximately 500 active members and meets monthly with presentations and information of interest to security professionals throughout the Pikes Peak region. In addition to monthly meetings and mini seminars, the chapter hosts two major annual conferences in Colorado Springs – the Cyber Focus Day (CFD) Symposium and the Peak Cyber Symposium. ISSA COS also offers CompTIA Security+ exam prep sessions and an (ISC2) (CISSP) exam prep session each year for IT industry professionals.

With active participation from individuals and chapters all over the world, ISSA is the largest international, not-for-profit association specifically for security professionals. Members include practitioners at all levels of the security field in a broad range of industries, such as communications, education, healthcare, manufacturing, financial and government. There are currently over 179 chapters in more than 79 countries around the world with more than 10,000 total members. For more information, visit www.issa-cos.org.

The National Cyber Exchange is a nonprofit member organization based in Colorado Springs, Colorado. NCX is dedicated to improving cybersecurity by sharing cyber threat information, providing cyber education to citizens, increasing awareness, engaging in secure network and cyber best practices for businesses and executives, supporting member training, and protecting critical infrastructure and IT operational needs through advanced technology development. NCX participates in the Cyber Information Sharing and Collaboration Program (CISCP) with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and acts as an Information Sharing and Analysis Organization (ISAO). The organization offers a suite of cybersecurity membership programs for the CyberCitizen, CyberExecutive and



CyberISPro. In addition, NCX provides the first ever cybersecurity alert notifications for iPhone and Android devices via the NCX mobile app.

The roots of NCX were originally established in 2011 as the Western Cyber Exchange (WCX), offering various levels of information sharing, training, cyber exercises and technology development. WCX established the first Cyber Analysis Center in 2012 using MITRE Corporation's Collaborative Research into Threats (CRITs) program. WCX also announced the first successful exchange of a cyber threat data report with the Advanced Cyber Security Center (ACSC) in Boston in August 2014. In 2015 WCX and the DHS established a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications. In October 2016 WCX announced its name change to the National Cyber Exchange to better support members nationwide. For more information, visit www.nationalcyber.org.

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