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Enrollment Code: <<XXXXXXXX>> Enrollment Deadline: December 25, 2025

To Enroll, Scan the QR Code Below:



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

September 25, 2025

<< Variable Data 1 >>

On behalf of EMPIRE, we are writing to inform you about a recent incident that involved personal information about you. We regret that this incident occurred and take the security of your personal information seriously.

WHAT HAPPENED. On July 7, 2025, we became aware of a cyber incident in which certain internal EMPIRE systems and data stored on those systems were accessed by an unknown third party. We promptly launched an investigation and engaged cybersecurity experts and external consultants to help investigate the incident and assess its impact.

WHAT INFORMATION WAS INVOLVED. We have determined that the personal information involved in this incident may have included your name, Social Security number, and/or bank account number. If your bank account number was involved in this incident, the information impacted did not include any associated security codes, access codes, or PINs.

WHAT WE ARE DOING. After we learned of this incident, we took steps to obtain the necessary information so that we could notify affected individuals. In response to this incident, we have taken steps to investigate, assess, and improve the security of our systems. We have also informed federal law enforcement of this incident.

WHAT YOU CAN DO. Consistent with certain laws, we are providing you with the following information about steps that you can take to protect against potential misuse of personal information.

As a precaution, we have arranged for you, at your option, to enroll in a complimentary two-year credit monitoring service. We have engaged IDX to provide you with its Identity Protection Services, which includes triple credit bureau monitoring as well as dark web monitoring. You have 90 days from the date of this letter to activate this free credit monitoring service by using the following activation code: << Enrollment Code>>. This code is unique for your use and should not be shared. To enroll, go to https://app.idx.us/account-creation/protect or call 1-800-939-4170.

You should always remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft, including by regularly reviewing your account statements and monitoring credit reports. If you discover any suspicious or unusual activity on your accounts or suspect identity theft or fraud, be sure to report it immediately to your financial institutions.

In addition, you may contact the Federal Trade Commission ("FTC") or law enforcement, including your state Attorney General, to report incidents of identity theft or to learn about steps you can take to protect yourself from identity theft. To learn more, you can go to the FTC's website at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or call the FTC at (877) IDTHEFT (438-4338) or write to Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20580.

You may also periodically obtain credit reports from the nationwide credit reporting agencies. If you identify information on your credit report resulting from a fraudulent transaction, you should request that the credit reporting agency delete that information from your credit report file. 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 credit reporting agencies. You may obtain a free copy of your credit report by going to www.AnnualCreditReport.com or by calling (877) 322-8228. You may contact the nationwide credit reporting agencies at:

Equifax Experian TransUnion (800) 685-1111 (888) 397-3742 (800) 680-7289 P.O. Box 740241 P.O. Box 9701 Fraud Victim Assistance Department Atlanta, GA 30374-0241 Allen, TX 75013 P.O. Box 2000 www.Equifax.com www.Experian.com Chester, PA 19022-2000 www.TransUnion.com

You also have other rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act ("FCRA"). For information about your rights under the FCRA, please visit: https://files.consumerfinance.gov/f/201504 cfpb_summary_your-rights-under-fcra.pdf.

In addition, you may obtain additional information from the FTC and the credit reporting agencies about fraud alerts and security freezes. You can add a fraud alert to your credit report file to help protect your credit information. A fraud alert can make it more difficult for someone to obtain credit in your name because it tells creditors to follow certain procedures to verify your identity. You may place a fraud alert in your file by calling any of the nationwide credit reporting agencies listed above. As soon as that agency processes your fraud alert, it is required to notify the other two agencies, which then must also place fraud alerts in your file.

You can also contact the nationwide credit reporting agencies at the numbers listed above to place a security freeze to restrict access to your credit report. You will need to provide the credit reporting agency with certain information, such as your name, address, date of birth and Social Security number. The credit reporting agency will send you a confirmation containing a unique PIN or password that you will need in order to remove or temporarily lift the freeze. You should keep the PIN or password in a safe place.

FOR MORE INFORMATION. Please know that we regret any inconvenience or concern this incident may cause you. Please do not hesitate to contact us at 1-800-939-4170 if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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IF YOU ARE A DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA RESIDENT: You may obtain information about avoiding identity theft from the FTC or the District of Columbia Attorney General's Office. These offices can be reached at:

Federal Trade Commission Office of the Attorney General

Consumer Response Center 400 6th Street, NW 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20001

Washington, DC 20580 (202) 727-3400 (877) IDTHEFT (438-4338) https://oag.dc.gov/

http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft/

IF YOU ARE A MARYLAND RESIDENT: You may obtain information about avoiding identity theft from the FTC or the Maryland Attorney General's Office. These offices can be reached at:

Federal Trade Commission Office of the Attorney General Consumer Response Center Consumer Protection Division

600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW 200 St. Paul Place Washington, DC 20580 Baltimore, MD 21202 (877) IDTHEFT (438-4338) (888) 743-0023

http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft/ https://www.marylandattorneygeneral.gov/

IF YOU ARE A NEW YORK RESIDENT: You may obtain information about security breach response and identity theft prevention and protection from the FTC or from the following New York state agencies:

Federal Trade Commission New York Attorney General New York Department of State
Consumer Response Center The Capitol Division of Consumer Protection

Albany, NY 12224

On Washington Avenue

600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Albany, NY 12224 99 Washington Avenue Washington, DC 20580 (800) 771-7755 Suite 650

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(877) IDTHEFT (438-4338) <u>www.ag.ny.gov</u> Albany, New York 12231

www.consumer.gov/idtheft (800) 697-1220 www.dos.ny.gov

IF YOU ARE A NORTH CAROLINA RESIDENT: You may obtain information about preventing identity theft from the FTC or the North Carolina Attorney General's Office. These offices can be reached at:

Federal Trade Commission North Carolina Department of Justice

Consumer Response Center
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580
Attorney General Josh Stein
9001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-9001

 (877) IDTHEFT (438-4338)
 (877) 566-7226

 www.consumer.gov/idtheft
 http://www.ncdoj.gov

IF YOU ARE A RHODE ISLAND RESIDENT: << Variable Data 2 >> You may contact state or local law enforcement to determine whether you can file or obtain a police report relating to this incident. In addition, you can contact the Rhode Island Attorney General at:

Office of the Attorney General 150 South Main Street Providence, RI 02903 (401) 274-4400 http://www.riag.ri.gov/