# A Developer's tour of Cybersecurity Incident Response

Presentation by Edward Delaporte
Office of the CIO, University of Illinois

### Why Listen to Me?

- 25 years in Professional Software Development
- 18 with a Cybersecurity focus

### Why Listen to Me?

• 18 Years of Incident Reponse Experience

### What is My Motive?

• I like to get invited to a lovely pleasant incident response.

### **During a Security Incident**

What do developers appreciate during a security incident?

- Ready-made parking pages for each app
  - o cp 503\_Unavailable.html \$WEB\_ROOT/index.html

### **During a Security Incident**

What do developers appreciate during a security incident?

- Ready-made parking pages for each app
  - cp 503\_Unavailable.html \$WEB\_ROOT/index.html
- High quality logs
  - Cybersecurity, Logging Practices for Application Developers

### **During a Security Incident**

What do developers appreciate during a security incident?

- Ready-made parking pages for each app
  - cp 503\_Unavailable.html \$WEB\_ROOT/index.html
- High quality logs
  - Cybersecurity, Logging Practices for Application Developers
- Support from Cybersecurity allies
  - securitysupport@illinois.edu

### **After a Security Incident**

What do developers appreciate after a security incident?

- Agile ability to deploy
- Easily rotated keys
- Keys with limited impact

- Add .well-known/security.txt to each server.
  - Example security.txt

- Add .well-known/security.txt to each server.
  - Example security.txt
- Add INFO level Security logs to each app

- Add .well-known/security.txt to each server.
  - Example security.txt
- Add INFO level Security logs to each app
- Adopt an SDLC

- Add .well-known/security.txt to each server.
  - Example security.txt
- Add INFO level Security logs to each app
- Adopt an SDLC
- Keep a ChangeLog

- Add .well-known/security.txt to each server.
  - Example security.txt
- Add INFO level Security logs to each app
- Adopt an SDLC
- Keep a ChangeLog
- Turn Off Stale Apps

### **Turn Off Stale Apps**

Humor me while I preach to the choir...

### **How To Turn Off Stale Apps**

Keep a ChangeLog

### **How To Turn Off Stale Apps**

- Keep a ChangeLog
- Add an End of Life Date to each CHANGELOG.md

### **How To Turn Off Stale Apps**

- Keep a ChangeLog
- Add an End of Life Date to each CHANGELOG.md
- Document Endpoints and Data Stores in each README.md

What if I want to keep my app?

## **Keep Apps Fresh**

Adopt Code Review

### **Keep Apps Fresh**

- Adopt Code Review
- Enable Dependabot if you use GitHub

### **Keep Apps Fresh**

- Adopt Code Review
- Enable Dependabot if you use GitHub
- Consider the Supply Chain

### **Supply Chain Security Tools**

- Python Index of Packages (pip) for Python: pip audit
- Node Package Manager (npm) for JavaScript: npm audit
- Composer for PHP: composer audit
- A recipe for a one-line audit for C#: dotnet list package --vulnerable

## **Keep Secrets**



"Alright then, keep your secrets."

### **Keeping Secrets**



• Make More Secrets

### **Keeping Secrets**



- Make More Secrets
- Encrypt at Rest

### **Keeping Secrets**



- Make More Secrets
- Encrypt at Rest
- Rotate with Automation

#### **Contact Info**

securitysupport@illinois.edu

**Edward Delaporte** 

Email: delaport@illinois.edu

Mastodon: https://infosec.exchange/@EdTheDev

Web: https://edward.delaporte.us/me/

## **Bonus Topics**

#### Slide tool reference

https://github.com/marp-team/marp-core

### Secret Management in .Net

#### Link Dump

- Do not use 'Secret Manager' in production.
  - Azure secret best practices
  - Secure authentication flows
  - Overview for ASP.Net
  - Securely deliver secrets as environment variables
  - String replacement in .json files
  - Another walkthrough for secrets in Microsoft IIS

### **Secret Management in Local Apps**

- Do not hard code secrets needed by local apps.
- Prompt the user for the necessary key on the first run.
- Deliver the secret securely to the user.
- SSO is a preferred way to solve these concerns.