## **Governor Spencer J. Cox**

18th Governor of Utah

"In 2023, I signed an Executive Order on data privacy to begin building a foundation for how Utah should responsibly manage personal data. That order resulted in a statewide effort to modernize data governance to help all levels of government— anchoring our approach in privacy, transparency, and responsible use. Since then, we've worked closely with the Legislature to align this policy direction with landmark legislation, including the Government Data Privacy Act and other key reforms.

This Summit marks another important step forward. With the December 2025 deadline ahead, your participation is critical. You are the ones translating vision into action— ensuring the policies we've established become practical, lasting improvements in how government operates."

## **Christopher Bramwell**

Utah Chief Privacy Officer, Utah Office of Data Privacy

"Utah has made significant progress in building a statewide framework for privacy and data governance— one that addresses the immediate needs of governmental entities while also preparing for long-term transformation. Through tools, training, and shared standards, we're supporting privacy, transparency, and use of data across all levels of government.

But this work is more than implementation— it's about shaping the future. We're having the hard policy discussions, bringing all stakeholders to the table, and confronting the challenges that come with modernizing government in a digital age. From privacy foundations to forward-looking efforts like digital identity, we're building a future where public trust and data innovation can coexist."

## **Justin Jones**

Sr. Director, Gary R. Herbert Institute for Public Policy

"Utah has taken bold steps to redefine government data collection and privacy," said Justin Jones, Sr. Director, Herbert Institute, UVU. "We are hosting this first-ever Summit to bring together city, county, and state data managers with policy leaders to discuss protecting individual privacy while balancing transparency and data use."