State of Vermont

Executive Department

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, damage to underground utility facilities such as pipes, mains, cables and conduits can result in dangerous or costly leaks, as well as fires, explosions and fatalities, and this damage and its consequences are often preventable; and

WHEREAS, in the past, some excavators have failed to request line locations because of the many utilities involved; and

WHEREAS, Dig Safe System, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, was established to protect the underground facilities of the public utilities by transmitting notices of digging from excavators to the utilities in order to locate and mark facilities prior to excavation; and

WHEREAS, THIS "One-Call" system is a free service to excavators as well as to homeowners, and it promotes safety, reduces costs and times of notifications, and helps excavators comply with safety rules and regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim April, 2016 as

SAFE DIGGING MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 4th day of March, A.D. 2016

Peter Shumlin Governor