

## City of Pittsburgh

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*WHEREAS*, the month of April 2017 is recognized as "Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month," an initiative supported by Pennsylvania 811, celebrating its 45th year of continuous service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and,

**WHEREAS**, the utility notification information center receives more than 800,000 notification requests and transmits more than six (6) million notifications annually, providing protection to utility companies, their employees, customers, and the general public from injuries and damage when excavating; and,

**WHEREAS**, economic development throughout the City of Pittsburgh is growing, and this unique service provides easy, one-call notification about construction and excavation projects which may endanger workers and jeopardize utility lines; and,

**WHEREAS,** Pennsylvania 811 also promotes workplace and public safety, reducing underground utility damage, minimizing utility service interruptions and protecting the environment; and,

**WHEREAS**, this vital service, which began with only six utility companies in western Pennsylvania and the City of Pittsburgh, now serves more than 100,000 excavators and 3,600 critical infrastructure owners throughout this Commonwealth; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby thank Pennsylvania 811 for the service provided to our residents and developers and encourage all residents, engineers, designers, excavators and homeowners to Dial 8-1-1 at least three business days in advance of an excavation project such as planting a tree, installing a mailbox post, building a deck or swimming pool or replacing a driveway; and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Council of the City of Pittsburgh does hereby declare the month of April, 2017 to be "**Pennsylvania 811 Safe Digging Month**" in the City of Pittsburgh.