



Jeff Landry
GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, each year, Louisiana's underground utility infrastructure is jeopardized by unintentional damage by those who fail to contact Louisiana 811 to have underground lines located prior to digging; and

WHEREAS, undesired consequences such as service interruption, damage to the environment and personal injury and even death are the potential results; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana law requires that anyone planning excavation or demolition must notify Louisiana 811, and if a facility must be located, personnel will be sent to mark the location of underground facilities at no cost to the requesting party; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana 811, the Office of Conservation and the Office of Public Safety promote the national Call-Before-You-Dig number, 811, as well as the use of safe digging practices, in an effort to reduce damages; and

WHEREAS, through education on safe digging practices, excavators and homeowners can save time and money keeping Louisiana and our nation safe and connected by simply contacting 811 in advance of any digging project, waiting the required amount of time, respecting the marked lines and finally, digging with care around the marks; and

WHEREAS, Safe Digging Month is an opportunity to promote safe digging practices and remind everyone that safe digging is a shared responsibility;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeff Landry, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim April 2025 as

Safe Digging Month

and I call this observation to the attention of all of our citizens.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana at the Capitol in the city of Baton Rouge on this 10th day of March A.D. 2025.



Jeff Landry
Governor of Louisiana