The State of New Hampshire By Her Excellency Kelly A. Ayotte, Governor

A Proclamation

In the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Five

SAFE DIGGING MONTH APRIL 2025

WHEREAS, excavation and digging projects play a crucial role in maintaining and improving New Hampshire's infrastructure, including roads, utilities, and new developments; and,

WHEREAS, preventing damage to underground utility lines is essential to ensuring public safety, protecting vital services such as gas, water, electricity, and telecommunications, and avoiding costly disruptions; and,

WHEREAS, New Hampshire law requires individuals and professionals to contact Dig Safe 811 before beginning any digging or excavation project to identify the location of underground utilities and prevent accidents; and,

WHEREAS, raising awareness about safe digging practices helps reduce the risk of injury, property damage, and service outages, ensuring a safer working environment for contractors, utility workers, and residents; and,

WHEREAS, Safe Digging Month serves as an important reminder to excavators, contractors, utility workers, and construction professionals to follow best practices, utilize proper safety protocols, and ensure underground utility lines are properly identified;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KELLY AYOTTE, GOVERNOR of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby proclaim APRIL 2025 as SAFE DIGGING MONTH in the State of New Hampshire, and thank all excavators, contractors, utility workers, and residents for continuing their exemplary commitment to safety and professionalism.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of New Hampshire to be affixed this 1st day of April, 2025.

Kelly A. Ayotte

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