State of Vermont Executive Department A Proclamation

WHEREAS, damage to underground facilities, such as pipes, mains, cables or

conduits, can result in dangerous or costly leaks, fires, explosions and injuries, environmental mishaps, and the disruption of vital utility services, even though this damage and its consequences are

often preventable; and

WHEREAS, all individuals, entities, corporations and government bodies

planning to excavate, blast or demolish need to first determine the

location of underground utilities; and

WHEREAS, Dig Safe System, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, is a free service

for property owners and excavators, established to promote public

safety and to protect underground facilities; and

WHEREAS, this "One-Call" system accepts notices of digging from excavators

and transmits these notices to the designated utilities, which respond by locating and marking out their facilities prior to the work; and

WHEREAS, notifying Dig Safe toll free by phone at 811 or online at <u>digsafe.com</u>

prior to excavation work helps excavators to comply with safety rules and regulations in an effort to prevent unnecessary accidents

from occurring.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim the month of April,

2025 as

SAFE DIGGING MONTH

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of

Vermon on this 31st day of March, A.D. 2025.

Philip B. Scol Governor

Jaye Persing Johnson

Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs