

CITY OF NAPA
PROCLAMATION

California Safe Digging Month
April 2015

WHEREAS, calling the 811 Underground Service Alert of Northern California and Nevada in advance of all digging projects provides effective damage prevention and protects California's citizens, communities, public services, environment, and underground facilities at no cost to the caller; and,

WHEREAS, calling the free 811 service provided by the Underground Service Alert of Northern California denotes five steps to a safe excavation: survey and mark, call before you dig, wait the required time, respect the marks, and dig with care; and,

WHEREAS, gas, electric, water, sewer, and storm drain utility lines are often buried only a few inches underground making them easy to strike and cause unintentional damage and harm; and,

WHEREAS, there are more than 170,000 underground utility lines struck yearly in the United States causing undesired consequences, such as service interruptions, outages, damage to infrastructures, and properties, personal injury, and death, by failing to call 811 before digging or safely marking utility lines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Jill Techel, Mayor of the City of Napa, along with the Napa City Council, do hereby proclaim, the **month of April 2015 as California Safe Digging Month** and encourage its residents, professional contractors and excavators to call 811 to be connected to a "One Call Center" before digging, to respect the color-coded lines that demarcate underground utilities and to dig with care around the marked lines.

Dated: April 7, 2015

JILL TECHEL, MAYOR
CITY OF NAPA