

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

RESOLUTION

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As Committed-Amended	
Recommendation	

By Hon. _____	

A RESOLUTION

1 Designating the month of April 2016 as "Pennsylvania 8-1-1 Safe
2 Digging Month."

3 WHEREAS, As engineers, designers, excavators and homeowners
4 work to keep pace with this Commonwealth's unprecedented
5 economic development, it is important to minimize damage to
6 underground utility lines, danger to workers, environmental
7 pollution and loss of utility service to Pennsylvania residents;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania One Call System, a utility service
10 information center celebrating more than 44 years of continuous
11 service to this Commonwealth, is key to preventing injuries and
12 damage when excavating; and

13 WHEREAS, This unique service provides easy, one-call
14 notification about construction and excavation projects which
15 may endanger workers and jeopardize utility lines while
16 promoting workplace and public safety, reducing underground
17 utility damage, minimizing utility service interruptions and

1 protecting the environment; and

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

6 WHEREAS, Each year, the Pennsylvania One Call System receives
7 more than 800,000 notification requests and transmits more than
8 6 million notifications, providing protection to utility
9 companies, their employees and customers; therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives designate the
11 month of April 2016 as "Pennsylvania 8-1-1 Safe Digging Month"
12 to encourage all excavators and homeowners of this Commonwealth
13 to dial 8-1-1 or 1-800-242-1776 before digging in order to "Know
14 What's Below," avoid injury, protect the environment and prevent
15 millions of dollars in damages and to remind excavators that
16 three business days' notice is the law, that safe digging is no
17 accident and that more information may be obtained by visiting
18 www.palcall.org.