

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, every year, lives are threatened and property is damaged when people fail to locate underground utilities before beginning projects that involve digging or excavation; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina 811 is the Palmetto State's toll-free one-call notification service to help the general public and professional excavators obtain information on the location of underground cables and mains; and

WHEREAS, recognizing that digging near underground utilities can be hazardous to people, property, and the environment, South Carolina 811 and the South Carolina Utilities Coordination Committee work to increase public safety and prevent damage to underground facilities, ensuring the continuity of utility and communication services.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 2013 as

### SAFE DIGGING MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to raise awareness of the need to call ahead before excavating to prevent damage and protect underground utilities which will create a safe digging environment.



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nikki R. Haley".

NIKKI R. HALEY  
GOVERNOR  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA