

# PROCLAMATION



## OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENACRES, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING “SAFE DIGGING MONTH” FOR APRIL, 2016.

**WHEREAS**, each year, Florida’s vital underground utility infrastructure is jeopardized by unintentional damage caused by those who fail to call 811 to have underground lines located prior to digging; and

**WHEREAS**, undesired consequences such as utility service interruption, damage to the environment, personal injury, and even death are the potential results of failing to locate underground lines before digging; and

**WHEREAS**, Sunshine 811 and its 943 members promote the national Call-Before-You-Dig number, 811, in an effort to prevent these damages; and

**WHEREAS**, designated by the FCC in 2005, 811 provides excavators and homeowners a simple, toll-free number to call and request utility line locations at the intended dig site; and

**WHEREAS**, through education on safe digging practices, excavators and homeowners can save time and money and prevent serious injury to themselves and others by calling 811 before beginning any digging project, waiting two full business days for locate marks, verifying the utility responses; protecting the marks so they remain visible throughout the project, and finally digging with care around the marks; and

**WHEREAS**, all parties agree that safe digging is a shared responsibility.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Samuel J. Ferreri, Mayor of the City of Greenacres**, do hereby proclaim April 2016 as “Safe Digging Month” in the City of Greenacres, Florida, and urge citizens and businesses to call 811 before digging.

Given under my Hand and Seal of the City of Greenacres, Florida, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

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Samuel J. Ferreri, Mayor

Attest:

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Denise McGrew, City Clerk