

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** the leading cause of harm to underground facilities is excavation damage; and
- WHEREAS,** pipeline operators and underground facility owners are committed to raising awareness of underground damage prevention and safe digging practices; and
- WHEREAS,** dedication to safe digging practices helps prevent potentially serious or fatal injuries while keeping our environment clean and our utilities on without interruption; and
- WHEREAS,** the date of August 11 (8/11) corresponds to the nationwide one-call number, 811, which provides anyone planning to excavate a simple, easy way to contact the state underground notification center; and
- WHEREAS,** once a call is made to the one-call notification center, the appropriate underground facility operators are notified of the person's intent to dig. Professional locators are then sent to the requested digging site to mark the approximate locations of underground lines with flags, spray paint or both; and
- WHEREAS,** Striking a single line can cause injury, repair costs, fines and inconvenient outages; and
- WHEREAS,** through the support of the pipeline industry, the nationwide 811 Day media effort promoting the Call Before You Dig program will air ads during the week of August 11th; and
- WHEREAS,** everyone should call 811 before digging; and
- WHEREAS,** City of Arlington supports these efforts to promote underground damage prevention and safe digging practices.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** W. Jeff Williams, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, do hereby proclaim August 11, 2015 as

## **UNDERGROUND DAMAGE PREVENTION DAY**

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 4th day of August in the year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen.*

  
MAYOR

