

## City of McKinney Proclamation

- WHEREAS, Thousands of times each year, the underground infrastructure in Texas is damaged by those who do not have underground lines located prior to digging, resulting in service interruption, environmental damage, and threat to public safety; and
- WHEREAS, In 2005, the Federal Communications Commission designated 811 to provide contractors and homeowners a simple number to contact utility operators to request the location of underground lines at the intended dig; and
- WHEREAS, Damage prevention is a shared responsibility; by using safe digging practices, the contractors and homeowners of McKinney, Texas can save time and money and help keep our infrastructure safe and connected; and
- WHEREAS, By calling 811, McKinney, Texas residents notify area utility operators, including the City of McKinney, of their intent to dig so that the utilities can be located ahead of the project; and
- **WHEREAS,** The 811 notification system is paramount to the prevention of damage to underground utilities and the safety of McKinney.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN LOUGHMILLER, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MCKINNEY, TEXAS, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2015 AS

## Safe Digging Month

Brian Loughmiller, Mayor

IN McKINNEY, TEXAS, AND ENCOURAGE CONTRACTORS AND HOMEOWNERS THROUGHOUT McKINNEY, TEXAS TO ALWAYS CALL 811 BEFORE DIGGING. SAFE DIGGING IS NO ACCIDENT!

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS THE 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2015.

ATTEST:

Sandy Ha**r**t, City Secretary