

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** each year, the nation's pipeline infrastructure is jeopardized by unintentional third party damage and encroachment by those who fail to call 811 to have underground lines identified and marked prior to digging; and
- WHEREAS,** undesired consequences such as service interruption, damage to the environment and personal injury and even death are the potential results; and
- WHEREAS,** it is important to reduce these damages for public safety. The number 811 provides potential excavators and homeowners a simple way to reach their local One Call Center to request that pipeline locations be identified and marked at the intended dig site; and
- WHEREAS,** through education of safe digging practices, excavators and homeowners can improve public safety by calling 811 in advance of any digging project; waiting the required amount of time; respecting the marked lines by maintaining visual definition throughout the course of the excavation; and finally, digging with care around the markers; and
- WHEREAS,** all parties agree that safe digging is a shared responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK SCOTTO, as Mayor of the City of Torrance, California, do hereby proclaim August 11, 2011 as

NATIONAL 811 DAY

in the City of Torrance, California, and encourage excavators and homeowners throughout the country to always call 811 before digging.

Signed this 9th day of August 2011.

Mayor Frank Scotto

ATTEST:

Sue Herbers, CMC
City Clerk

