

**State of Vermont  
Executive Department  
A Proclamation**

**WHEREAS,** damage to underground facilities, such as pipes, mains, cables or conduits, can result in dangerous or costly leaks, fires, explosions and injuries, environmental mishaps, and the disruption of vital utility services, even though this damage and its consequences are often preventable; and

**WHEREAS,** all individuals, entities, corporations and government bodies planning to excavate, blast or demolish need to first determine the location of underground utilities; and

**WHEREAS,** Dig Safe System, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation, is a free service for property owners and excavators, established to promote public safety and to protect underground facilities; and

**WHEREAS,** this “one-call” system accepts notices of digging from excavators and transmits these notices to the designated utilities, which respond by locating and marking out their facilities prior to the work; and

**WHEREAS,** notifying Dig Safe prior to excavation work helps excavators to comply with safety rules and regulations in an effort to prevent unnecessary accidents from occurring.

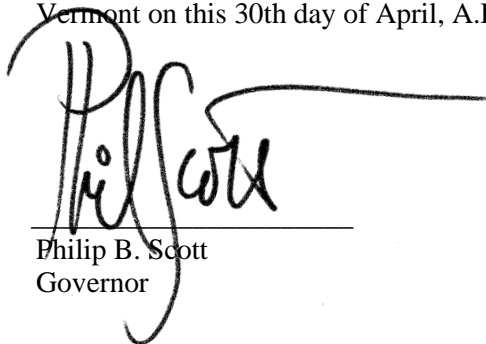
**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim April, 2020 as

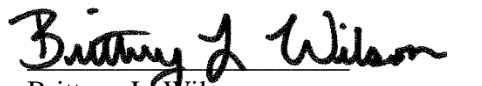
**SAFE DIGGING MONTH**

in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 30th day of April, A.D. 2020.

  
Philip B. Scott  
Governor

  
Brittney L. Wilson  
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs