



Office of the Mayor

P r o c l a m a t i o n

A PROCLAMATION, by the Mayor of the City of Deer Park, Texas declaring August 11, 2016 as National 811 Day.

WHEREAS, each year, the nation's underground utility infrastructure faces threats by those who fail to call 811 to have underground utilities located prior to digging. Undesired consequences such as service interruption, damage to the environment and personal injury and even death are the potential results; and

WHEREAS, a joint group of the Gulf Coast region's utility industry partners have voluntarily come together to promote safety and the national toll-free Call Before You Dig number, 811, in an effort to reduce these threats to facilities. Designated by the FCC in 2005, 811 provides potential excavators and homeowners a simple number to reach their local One-Call Center to request utility line locations at the intended dig site; and

WHEREAS, through education of safe digging practices, excavators and homeowners can save time and money keeping our nation safe and connected by making a simple call to 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 marks; and

WHEREAS, safe digging is a shared responsibility; to know what's below; and call 811 before you dig.

WHEREAS, NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mayor Jerry Mouton, City of Deer Park, along with City Council, hereby recognize the educational and outreach efforts of these underground utility industry partners and declare August 11, 2016 in the City of Deer Park as:

NATIONAL 811 DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Official Seal of the City of Deer Park to be affixed hereto this second day of August, Two Thousand and Sixteen, A.D.

**Jerry Mouton, Mayor
City of Deer Park, Texas**