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## A RESOLUTION

Designating the month of April 2016 as "Pennsylvania 8-1-1 Safe 1 Digging Month." 2 3 WHEREAS, As engineers, designers, excavators and homeowners 4 work to keep pace with this Commonwealth's building industry, it 5 is important to minimize damage to critical underground 6 infrastructure, danger to workers and loss of utility service to 7 our residents; and 8 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania One Call System, a utility service 9 information center, celebrating more than 44 years of continuous 10 service to this Commonwealth, is key to preventing injuries and 11 damage when digging; and 12 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania One Call System provides easy, one-call 13 notification about construction and excavation projects that may 14 endanger workers and jeopardize utility lines while also 15 promoting public safety, reducing underground utility damages, 16 minimizing utility service interruptions and protecting the 17 environment; and

18 WHEREAS, Pennsylvania One Call System began with six utility

1 companies in western Pennsylvania and the City of Pittsburgh and now serves more than 100,000 excavators and 3,600 critical 2 infrastructure owners in this Commonwealth; therefore be it 3 4 RESOLVED, That the Senate designate the month of April 2016 as "Pennsylvania 8-1-1 Safe Digging Month"; and be it further 5 6 RESOLVED, That the Senate encourage all excavators and homeowners in this Commonwealth to call 8-1-1 or 1-800-242-1776 7 at least three business days, but not more than 10 business 8 days, before excavating in order to protect our critical 9 10 underground infrastructure, and for more information visit www.palcall.org. 11