



**PROCLAMATION
BY MAYOR BART CASTLEBERRY
CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS
SAFE DIGGING MONTH
APRIL, 2017**

Whereas, each year, Conway's Underground Utility infrastructure is jeopardized by unintentional damage due to failure to call 811, the national call number to have underground lines located prior to digging; and

Whereas, undesired consequences such as service interruption, damage to the environment, personal injury and even death as the potential results; and

Whereas, calling 811 provides professional excavators and homeowners a simple way to reach the Arkansas One Call system to request utility line locations at the intended dig site; and

Whereas, the Arkansas One Call (AOC) serves the citizens of Conway at no cost to taxpayers, spreading the message that *safe digging* is a shared responsibility and encourages the citizens of Conway to always call 811 before digging; and

Whereas, 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 digging with care around the marks will save time and money.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bart Castleberry, Mayor of Conway, Arkansas, do hereby proclaim April, 2017 as:

"Safe Digging Month"

***And encourage excavators throughout the City of Conway to always call 811 before digging.
Safe excavation is no accident!***

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the SEAL of the City of Conway, Arkansas to be affixed this 1st day of April, 2017.

Mayor Bart Castleberry