## 2022 SAFE DIGGING MONTH

- **WHEREAS,** each year, the underground infrastructure of the City of Crossville is at risk through unintended damage by those who fail to call 811 to have underground lines located prior to digging, resulting in undesired consequences, such as service interruption, damage to the environment, and personal injury or even death; and
- **WHEREAS,** Tennessee 811 and its nearly 600 member utilities promote the "Call Before You Dig" number, 811, in an effort to reduce these damages; and
- **WHEREAS** designated by the FCC in 2005, 811 provides potential excavators, contractors, and homeowners a simple number to reach their one-call center to request utility line locations at the intended dig site; and
- WHEREAS, through education of safe digging practices, excavators, contractors, and homeowners can save time and money and help keep our communities safe by making a simple call to 811 in advance of any digging project, then waiting the required amount of time, respecting the marked lines by maintaining a visual definition throughout the course of the excavation, and digging with care around the marks; and
- WHEREAS, safe digging is a shared responsibility "to know what's below," Call 811 Before You Dig:

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, James Mayberry, Mayor of the City of Crosville, do hereby proclaim the month of April 2022 as Safe Digging Month in the City of Crossville, and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.