

FORESTPARK

PROCLAMATION

- **WHEREAS:** Georgia 811 is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to preventing damage to the state's underground utilities by connecting companies with professional excavators and homeowners who are planning mechanized digging activities such as excavation, tunneling and demolition, and;
- **WHEREAS:** In 2005, the Federal Communications Commission designated the 811 phone number for contractors and homeowners to use when contacting utility operators to request the location of underground lines at an intended dig site, and;
- **WHEREAS:** Georgia law mandates that before beginning any mechanized digging or excavation work, individuals must contact Georgia 811 at least 48 hours, but no more than 10 working days in advance, to have utility lines marked, and;
- **WHEREAS:** The Clayton County Utility Coordinating Committee has partnered with the Georgia 811 Notification System to promote high-quality education and notification services as it relates to the excavation process.
- **WHEREAS:** Damage prevention is a shared responsibility and by using safe digging practices, residents in the City of Forest Park can save time, money and help keep our infrastructure safe and connected.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of Forest Park hereby recognizes August 11, 2023, as Forest Park 811 Day and reminds both city residents and contractors to use the state's free resource to ensure their personal safety and the safety of those around them.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand on this 7th day of August 2023 and have caused the Official Seal of the great City of Forest Park to be affixed hereto:

Angelyne Butler, MPA Mayor

Councilmember Kimberly James Ward 1

Councilmember Hector Gutierrez Ward 3 Councilmember Dabouze Antoine Ward 2

Councilmember Latresa Akins-Wells Ward 4

Councilmember Allan Mears Ward 5