



1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Joint Utility Locating Information for Excavators
3 (JULIE, Inc.) is a not for profit organization that provides
4 professional and non-professional (i.e. homeowners) excavators
5 with a free service through a toll-free telephone number to
6 call for the locating and marking of underground utility
7 facilities in the State of Illinois, outside the city of
8 Chicago; and

9 WHEREAS, JULIE, Inc., along with its 1,750 members, promote
10 the importance of calling the Illinois One-Call System and
11 safe-digging practices as part of an ongoing public safety
12 campaign; this proactive outreach program prevents damages to
13 underground utilities, the environment and property, reduces
14 service interruptions and costly repairs, and saves lives; and

15 WHEREAS, Illinois law requires anyone digging, regardless
16 of depth, to call JULIE, Inc. at least two working days prior
17 to the start of excavation and to begin that project within 14
18 calendar days from the call; and

19 WHEREAS, JULIE, Inc. has received and processed over 14.2
20 million calls and its annual call volume makes it one of the
21 largest industry one-call systems in the United States; and

22 WHEREAS, JULIE, Inc. is celebrating 30 years of damage
23 prevention in Illinois; established in 1974, the organization
24 is located in Joliet, Illinois; therefore, be it

25 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
26 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we congratulate JULIE,
27 Inc. and proclaim April 2004 as "Dig Safely Illinois Month" in
28 the State of Illinois.