

Proclamation



TRENCH SAFETY STAND DOWN WEEK

JUNE 17-21, 2019

WHEREAS, thousands of hardworking Washingtonians earn a living by performing trenching, excavation work, and hazardous construction operations each day; and

WHEREAS, these construction jobs are often accompanied with life-threatening hazards but are preventable with vital resources such as proper shielding, shoring, and sloping; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the safety and well-being of all individuals, it is essential that both construction employers and employees remain engaged in the latest trenching and excavation policies and procedures;

WHEREAS, the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) with approval from the United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) created Trench Safety Stand Down Week in an effort to highlight the importance of education and training in trenching and excavating hazard awareness; and

WHEREAS, Washington, DC will continue to serve as a leader on trench safety and work to prevent and avoid construction workplace hazards:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THE MAYOR OF WASHINGTON, DC, do hereby proclaim June 17-21, 2019 in Washington, DC as “TRENCH SAFETY STAND DOWN WEEK”.



A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Muriel Bowser", positioned above a horizontal line.