



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Purchasing, acquisitions, procurement, and materials management professions have a significant role in the quality and efficiency of business and government throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS: Purchasing professionals are employed in private and public sectors, in profit and non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS: Purchasing professionals engage in or have direct responsibility for purchasing goods and services; executing and implementing contracts; developing forecasts and procurement strategies; supervising and monitoring storage of materials; and developing working relationships with suppliers and departments within organizations; and

WHEREAS: Purchasing professionals make important contributions to ensure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars and provide efficient service, while maintaining the highest ethical standards; and

WHEREAS: Local, state, and federal purchasing professionals are responsible for managing and monitoring billions of dollars of goods and services every year, which directly influences the national and international economies; and

WHEREAS: Purchasing and procurement operations range from departments of one employee to several thousand employees; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing and other associations around the world are sponsoring activities and other special events to further educate and inform the general public regarding the role of purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2014, as:

PURCHASING MONTH

in the state of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the state of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 24th day of February.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE