



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The 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: Professionals in the purchasing, acquisitions, procurement, and materials management fields are employed in private and public sectors as well as in profit and non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS: In addition to the purchase of goods and services, purchasing, acquisitions, procurement, and materials management, professionals engage in or have direct responsibility for execution, implementation, and administration of contracts; development of forecasts and procurement strategies; supervising and monitoring the flow of storage of materials; and development of working relationships with suppliers and other departments within organizations; and

WHEREAS: Purchasing professionals make important contributions to ensure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars, by providing 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 globe 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 2013 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 27th day of February.


GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE