



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 functions such as execution, implementation, and administration of contracts; development of forecasts and procurement strategies; supervising and monitoring the flow of storage of materials; and the development of working relationships with suppliers and other departments within organizations; and
- WHEREAS: Purchasing professionals make important contributions to assure 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 worth 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 to several thousands of 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, 2012 to be:

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 13th day of February.

Handwritten signature of Mark Dayton in black ink.

GOVERNOR

Handwritten signature of Mark Ritchie in blue ink.

SECRETARY OF STATE