

## STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The purchasing, acquisition, 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: 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: Procurement professionals make important contributions to assure the responsible 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 influence the national and

international economy; and

WHEREAS: Purchasing and procurement operations range from departments of one 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 2016, as:

## PROCUREMENT 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  $29^{\rm th}$  day of February.

GOVERNOR

SECRETARY OF STATE