

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER GOVERNOR

PROCUREMENT MONTH

2021

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A 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 Carolinas Association of Governmental Purchasing, the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, the North Carolina Division of Purchase and Contract, and other associations around the world are sponsoring activities and other special events to further educate and inform the public regarding the role of purchasing;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim March, 2021, as **"PROCUREMENT MONTH"** in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-third day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fifth