

# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**PROCUREMENT MONTH**

**2024**

**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 for-profit and non-profit organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, public procurement is an essential function of state government, providing for the purchase of goods and services necessary for the safe and effective operations of the state, including purchases for education, health and human services, transportation, administration, and others; and

**WHEREAS**, purchasing professionals 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, departments, agencies, and 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 to ensure open, fair, and transparent purchasing activities; and

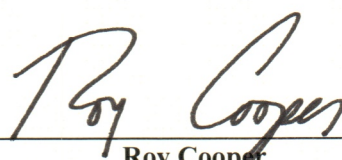
**WHEREAS**, local, state, and federal purchasing professionals are responsible for managing and monitoring billions of dollars in goods and services every year, which directly influence the national and international economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Administration's Division of Purchase & Contract, state government's central procurement authority, continues to enrich the development skills of procurement professionals across the state, hosting the annual NC Procurement Excellence and Knowledge Conference, April 8 – 9 at the Raleigh McKimmon and Conference Center, where this year's theme is, *Continuing on the Journey to Procurement Excellence*; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Association of Governmental Purchasing, the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, the North Carolina Department of Administration's Division of Purchase & 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, 2024, as **"PROCUREMENT MONTH"** in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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Roy Cooper

Governor

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