



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

## A PROCLAMATION

### PURCHASING MONTH

- WHEREAS:** The purchasing and materials management professions are critical in the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of public and private sector operations throughout the United States and State of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** Purchasing has tremendous influence on the state's economy through the responsibility of supply chain management and monitoring billions of dollars in goods and services to ensure competitive, fair, open, and transparent procurement processes and the best value for every taxpayer dollar; and
- WHEREAS:** In addition to the procurement of commodities and services, purchasing professionals add value to their organizations by negotiating and administering contracts; developing education, outreach, and training strategies; and cultivating relationships with suppliers and collaboration partners interested in the advancement of large and small businesses; and
- WHEREAS:** Government purchasing professionals work diligently to meet unprecedented challenges and in extreme, urgent conditions to secure materials and resources which contributes positively to safer and healthier communities throughout Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** Over 600 state, local, and federal purchasing professionals make it possible for government entities to accomplish their missions and serve the citizens of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** During the month of March, the Georgia Department of Administrative Services (DOAS), Georgia Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (GANIGP), Governmental Procurement Association of Georgia, and the Coastal Georgia Chapter of NIGP, along with other professional procurement organizations in our state, participate in raising awareness of the importance of purchasing professions in the fields of business, industry, and government; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 2022 as PURCHASING MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.



*B. Kemp*

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

*Mantha Kipetsich*

CHIEF OF STAFF