



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: 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: 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: Purchasing professionals make important contributions to ensure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars and provide 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 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 professional purchasing associations around the world are sponsoring activities and special events to further educate and inform the general public about the role of purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2015, as:

## 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 25<sup>th</sup> day of February.

  
GOVERNOR

  
SECRETARY OF STATE