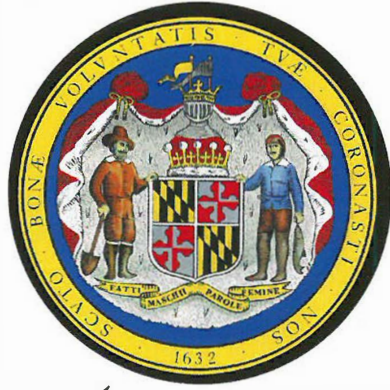


The State of Maryland



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

NATIONAL PROCUREMENT MONTH MARCH 2025

- WHEREAS,** *March is recognized as National Procurement Month, a time to honor the critical role that procurement professionals play in ensuring the effective and efficient operation of government and public services; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Procurement involves the strategic acquisition of goods, services, and resources that serve the citizens of Maryland, counties, and local jurisdictions; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland Public Purchasing Association fosters members dedicated to promoting transparency, accountability, and fairness while managing taxpayer resources responsibly and ensuring that all procurement processes are in compliance with applicable laws and regulations; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland Public Purchasing Association encourages governmental agencies to support sustainable practices, and promote diversity, equity, and inclusion within the contracting process; and*
- WHEREAS,** *the State of Maryland acknowledges the importance of fostering innovation, competition, and best value through sound procurement practices that support the long-term goals for economic growth and development; and*
- WHEREAS,** *National Procurement Month is an opportunity to recognize the tireless efforts and professionalism of procurement staff and to celebrate the significant contributions they make to the success and well-being of our organizations; and*
- WHEREAS,** *I urge all citizens to recognize the value of public procurement and to join in celebrating the dedication and commitment of those who ensure that the state's procurement activities continue to meet the highest standards of service, integrity, and innovation.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MARCH 2025 as NATIONAL PROCUREMENT MONTH in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all of our citizens.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,

this 1st day of March

Two Thousand and twenty-five



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Secretary of State