



STATE OF TENNESSEE

# PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

**WHEREAS**, public procurement professionals earn the public's trust by demonstrating public service and wise cost-effective methods for making purchases; and

**WHEREAS**, professional public procurement makes important contributions to ensure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars by providing strategic procurement, while maintaining the highest ethical standards; and

**WHEREAS**, our hardworking public procurement professionals increase governmental efficiency and effectiveness in the delivery of goods and services for Tennesseans; and

**WHEREAS**, the public procurement profession has a tremendous influence on the nation's economy with cumulative purchasing power accounting for more than 30% of our Gross Domestic Product, or \$6.3 trillion annually; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2024, as

*Public Procurement Month*

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this seventh day of February, 2024.

*Bill Lee*

Governor

*Joe Mangot*

Secretary of State