



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, public purchasing, contracting and materials management professionals contribute to the quality and efficiency of public and private institutions throughout the United States; and

WHEREAS, public purchasing, contracting and materials management professionals have tremendous strategic influence on the quality and cost effectiveness of public and private sector operations; and

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, the Middle Tennessee Public Purchasing Association and other professional purchasing associations are holding special events this month to further educate and inform the general public on the role of maximizing opportunities, minimizing cost and managing risk for business, industry and government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim the month of March, 2014 as

Purchasing 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 twenty-sixth day of February, 2014.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Joe Kergett in blue ink.

Secretary of State