



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, public purchasing, contracting and materials management professionals contribute significantly 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 the opportunities, minimizing the cost and managing the risks for business, industry and government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March, 2012, 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 14th day of March, 2012.

Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in cursive script.

Governor

Handwritten signature of the Secretary of State in cursive script.

Secretary of State