

WHEREAS, the public procurement profession plays a significant role in the efficiency and effectiveness of both government and business; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the purchase of goods and services, procurement professionals add value to the organization by performing such functions as executing, implementing, and administering contracts, developing strategic procurement strategies and cultivating working relationships with suppliers and other departments within the organization; and

WHEREAS, public procurement professionals in the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority and in other public and private organizations have tremendous influence on the economic conditions in the United States, with accumulative purchasing power running into the billions of dollars; and

WHEREAS, the public procurement professionals in the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority are committed to providing high-caliber strategic, logistical and operational support to all departments within the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority; and

WHEREAS, the public procurement professionals in the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority recognize, support and practice the Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of The National Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP), namely- Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service, and Transparency- as fundamental tenets of the public procurement profession; and

WHEREAS, NIGP has proclaimed the month of March as Procurement Month to further expand the awareness of the procurement professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, business and corporate leaders;

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the members of the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority Governance Board, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2023 as

PROCUREMENT MONTH

and March 8, 2023 as

PROCUREMENT PROFESSIONALS' DAY

in the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority and urge all citizens to join the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority in recognizing the role of the purchasing and materials management profession within business, industry, and government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hand and caused the Seal of the Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority to be affixed this 15th day of March, 2023.

Les Thomas
Les Thomas (Mar 16, 2023 16:51 PDT)

Board Chairperson Thomas

Allen Barie

Allan Barrie (Mar 18, 2023 14-40 PDT)

Board Member Barrie

Toni Troutner
Toni Troutner (Mar 16, 2023 13:00 PDT)

Board Member Troutner

Margaret Harto
Margaret Harto (Mar 18, 2023 15:08 PDT)

Board Vice Chair Harto

Bill Boyce (Mar 20, 2023 13:08 PDT)

Board Member Boyce

Jessica Steward (Mar 16, 2023 12:48 PDT)

Board Secretary Steward