## **PROCLAMATION**

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 adds value to the organization by performing such functions as executing, implementing, and administering contracts, developing strategic procurement strategies, and cultivating working relationships with suppliers, other procurement professionals, and other departments within the organization; and

WHEREAS, public procurement professionals in the Town of Southwest Ranches 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, Procurement in the Town of Southwest Ranches is committed to providing high-caliber strategic, logistical and operational support of all departments within the Town of Southwest Ranches; and

WHEREAS, Procurement and the Town of Southwest Ranches recognize, support, and practice the Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service and Transparency, established by the Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP) 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 purchasing professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, business, and corporate leaders; and

WHEREAS, I urge all citizens to recognize the role of the purchasing and materials management profession within business, industry and government.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, do hereby proclaim, March 2023 as Procurement Month.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the Town of Southwest Ranches on this 9th day of March, 2023.

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023

STEVE BREITKREUZ, MAYOR