

# 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 and other departments within their organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, public procurement professionals 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 profession recognizes, supports, and practices accountability, ethics, impartiality, professionalism, service, and transparency, as fundamental tenants of the public procurement profession; and

**WHEREAS**, further expanding awareness of the procurement professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, business, and corporate leaders is important.


**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Ken McClure, Mayor of the City of Springfield, Missouri, do hereby proclaim March 13, 2024, as

## **PROFESSIONAL BUYER'S DAY**

and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the role of the public purchasing and materials management profession within business, industry, and government.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the official seal of the City of Springfield, Missouri, to be affixed this twenty-sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand twenty-four.



  
Ken McClure, Mayor