



In Recognition of

2024 National Procurement Month

***Whereas,** the procurement and materials management profession holds significant influence over the quality and efficiency of government operations throughout the United States; and*

***Whereas,** procurement and materials management professionals engage in, or bear direct responsibility for, critical functions such as executing, implementing, and administering contracts, developing forecasts and procurement strategies, supervising and/or monitoring the flow and storage of materials, and fostering relationships with internal and external stakeholders; and*

***Whereas,** procurement professionals are entrusted with the role of faithful stewards of taxpayer dollars, committed to providing efficient services while upholding the highest standards; and*

***Whereas,** the Maryland Judiciary is privileged to host the inaugural Maryland Procurement Forum, at its Maryland Judicial Center in Annapolis; and*

***Whereas,** it is fitting to extend special recognition to this dedicated group of professionals, acknowledging their valuable contributions statewide and particularly toward the Maryland Judiciary's mission of providing fair, efficient, and effective justice for all.*

***Now, therefore,** be it resolved that the Maryland Judiciary recognizes **March as Procurement Month** in acknowledgment of the unwavering dedication demonstrated by procurement and materials management professionals within the Maryland Judiciary and across the entire State of Maryland.*

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Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Maryland