



# Proclamation

*From the Governor of the State of Maryland*

## **PURCHASING MONTH MARCH 2024**

- WHEREAS,** *The purchasing and materials management profession has a significant role in the quality, efficiency and profitability of business and government throughout the United States; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Local, state and federal procurement professionals are responsible for managing and monitoring billions of dollar's worth of goods and services which directly influences national and international economics; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Maryland's vision is to be a leading center of national excellence in public procurement for the provision of goods and services essential to any public body, provided through the best contracts available.*
- WHEREAS,** *The mission of Maryland's Office of State Procurement is to provide the highest quality materials, equipment, supplies, and services essential to public needs, enabled through our state's centralized eProcurement program.*
- WHEREAS,** *The Maryland Public Purchasing Association, a chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing: the Institute for Public Procurement, and the National Association of State Procurement Officials and other associations around the globe are sponsoring activities and special events to educate and inform the general public regarding the role of purchasing.*

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MARCH 2024, as PURCHASING MONTH in Maryland, and do commend this observance to all our citizens.**



*Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March  
Two Thousand and twenty-four*

*[Signature]*  
Governor

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Lt. Governor

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Secretary of State