

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 acquisition 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 the organization; and

WHEREAS public procurement professionals that are members of the Washington State Chapter of NIGP – The Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP) and in other public and private organizations have great influence on the economic conditions in the United States, with accumulative purchasing power running into the billions of dollars; and

WHEREAS the Washington State Chapter of NIGP through its members is committed to providing high-caliber strategic, logistical, and operational support of all agencies associated with the Chapter; and

WHEREAS the Washington State Chapter of NIGP recognizes, supports, and practices the Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service and Transparency, established by 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 procurement professional's role to governmental officials, the public, business, and corporate leaders.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Governing Board of the Washington State Chapter of NIGP do hereby proclaim the second Wednesday in March, **March 11, 2026** as

PROCUREMENT PROFESSIONALS' DAY

and urge all members to join the Washington State Chapter of NIGP in recognizing the role of the purchasing, contracting, and materials management profession within business, industry, and government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on behalf of the 2026 WA-NIGP Board this 9th of February 2026.



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