

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 the organization; and

WHEREAS, public procurement professionals that are members of the Copper Chapter of NIGP 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, public procurement professionals are uniquely positioned to build public trust in our government institutions by diligently ensuring fair and open bidding opportunities to the vending community and providing transparency in government contracting; and

WHEREAS, the Copper 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 – 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Governing Board of the Copper Chapter of NIGP do hereby proclaim March 11, 2026 as

PROCUREMENT PROFESSIONALS' DAY

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Copper Chapter of NIGP to be affixed this 1st day of March 2026.

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