

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Office of the Governor



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, public procurement is an essential function of state government, providing for the purchase of goods and services necessary for the safe and effective operations of the state, including purchases for education, health and human services, transportation, administration, and others; and

WHEREAS, the work of the state procurement office benefits state agencies and residents alike through the application of the principles of fiscal responsibility and ethical use of taxpayer dollars for the operations of the state; and

WHEREAS, public procurement requires specific knowledge and skills to maintain fair and competitive bid practices, conduct thorough market research, administer effective negotiations for the mutual benefit of the state and supplier, and successfully monitor and evaluate all state contracts; and

WHEREAS, the State of Mississippi is supported by a highly qualified and dedicated state procurement staff who demonstrate professionalism on all levels and understand the importance of the work they perform; and

WHEREAS, the month of March has been designated as National Procurement Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tate Reeves, Governor of Mississippi, hereby do proclaim March 2026 as

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT MONTH

in the State of Mississippi, and encourage all residents and state employees to familiarize themselves with the activities required in providing quality, ethical purchases for our State, and the effort that the state procurement office puts forward every day to ensure these activities are carried out with the utmost professionalism.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Mississippi to be affixed.

DONE in the City of Jackson, on the 3rd day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and twenty-six, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and fiftieth.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tate Reeves".

TATE REEVES
GOVERNOR