



STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, public procurement professionals earn the public's trust by demonstrating public service and wise cost-effective methods for making purchases; and

WHEREAS, professional public procurement makes important contributions to ensure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars by providing strategic procurement while maintaining the highest ethical standards; and

WHEREAS, our public procurement professionals, increase governmental efficiency and effectiveness in the delivery of goods and services for Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, the public procurement profession has a tremendous influence on the Nation's economy with cumulative purchasing power accounting for more than 30% of our Gross Domestic Product or \$6.3 trillion annually;

NOW, THEREFORE, I Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as

Public Procurement Month

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this fifteenth day of February 2023.

Handwritten signature of Bill Lee in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Joe Ricketts in blue ink.

Secretary of State