



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA,

A PROCLAMATION

GEORGIA PROCUREMENT CONFERENCE WEEK

- WHEREAS:** The State Purchasing Division of the Department of Administrative Services and procurement staff in agencies, colleges, universities, technical colleges, and local government provide dedicated service to the acquisition of needed materials and services for Georgia's citizens; and
- WHEREAS:** Procurement professionals play a significant role in the efficiency and effectiveness of both government and business. They are not only involved in the purchase of goods and services but also perform critical functions such as executing, implementing, and administering contracts; developing procurement strategies; and implementing procurement technology to leverage data in decision-making, enforce compliance through policy, increase visibility in tracking spending and improve operational performance; and
- WHEREAS:** The Georgia Procurement Conference is Georgia's premier annual conference for leading-edge business practices and techniques, inspiring progress through education and fostering collaboration with peers and suppliers to better execute the state's procurement processes and requirements with the goal of Georgia being the No. 1 best-managed state in procurement and No. 1 state for small businesses; and
- WHEREAS:** The 2023 Georgia Procurement Conference theme, Planning Procurement's Future, is dedicated to encouraging continued networking and planning for the future with procurement professionals and suppliers, building new relationships statewide, and providing critical, capability, and capacity-building training for small and diverse businesses, while promoting fair, transparent, and competitive procurement processes, fostering ethical conduct and driving efficiencies in operations, and securing the best value of quality goods and services to support the State of Georgia; and
- WHEREAS:** The citizens of Georgia are grateful for the dedicated commitment of the State Purchasing Division, government procurement professionals, and suppliers throughout the state who support critical government operations; now
- THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim April 24-28, 2023, as PROCUREMENT CONFERENCE WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 31st day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.



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GOVERNOR

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CHIEF OF STAFF