

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

PURCHASING MONTH

WHEREAS:	The purchasing and materials management professions are crucial for the public and private sectors to operate efficiently and effectively; and
WHEREAS:	Purchasing professionals acquire products and services by balancing and negotiating prices, resources, and time. These individuals work in many different settings, including state agencies, county governments, universities and colleges, local school districts, and municipalities, among others; and
WHEREAS:	Over 600 state, local, and federal purchasing professionals provide the Georgia Department of Administrative Services, as well as other state agencies, with important training and educational resources for procurement and materials management; and
WHEREAS:	Through their combined purchasing power, these purchasing and materials management professionals are responsible for billions of dollars spent annually, enabling them to have a substantial impact on global economic conditions; and
WHEREAS:	In the month of March, the Georgia Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing and the Governmental Procurement Association of Georgia, along with other professional purchasing organizations in our state, participate in efforts to inform the public of how important the purchasing profession is in business, industry, and government; now
THEREFORE:	I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 2019 as PURCHASING MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 1st day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen.

