



STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

- WHEREAS: The purchasing, acquisition, procurement and materials management professions have a significant role in the quality, efficiency and profitability of business and government throughout the United States; and
- WHEREAS: Professionals in the purchasing, acquisitions, procurement and materials management fields are employed in private and public sectors as well as in profit and non-profit organizations; and
- WHEREAS: In addition to the purchase of goods and services, purchasing, acquisitions, procurement and materials management professionals engage in, or have direct responsibility for functions such as execution, implementation and administration of contracts, development of forecasts and procurement strategies, supervision and monitoring the flow and storage of materials; and development of working relationships with suppliers and other departments within the organizations; and
- WHEREAS: Purchasing professionals make important contributions to assure the efficient use of taxpayer dollars by providing efficient service while maintaining the highest ethical standards; and
- WHEREAS: Local, state and federal purchasing professionals are responsible for managing and monitoring billions of dollars worth of goods and services every year, which directly influences the national and international economies; and
- WHEREAS: Purchasing and procurement operations range from departments of one to several thousands of employees; and
- WHEREAS: The Minnesota Chapter of the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing and other associations around the globe are sponsoring activities and special events to further educate and inform the general public regarding the role of purchasing.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TIM PAWLENTY, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2007, as:

PURCHASING MONTH

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 1st day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the State the one hundred forty-eighth.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Delehanty".

SECRETARY OF STATE

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Pawlenty".

GOVERNOR