



Proclamation

In Recognition of

Procurement Month

WHEREAS, procurement professionals engage in or have direct responsibility for purchasing and managing materials, supervising and monitoring the flow and storage of materials, implementing and administering contracts, developing forecasts and procurement strategies, and establishing working relationships with suppliers and other departments within the organization; and

WHEREAS, procurement professionals from Alaska and Hawai'i formed the Alaska-Hawai'i Government Procurement Association (AHGPA) in 2016, one of 77 chapters officially recognized by the National Institute of Government Purchasing (NIGP); and

WHEREAS, AHGPA membership is comprised of cities, counties, boroughs, towns, state agencies, colleges, universities, public schools, and authorities throughout Alaska and Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, AHGPA is a virtual chapter that connects two geographically distant states through online meetings, a website and social media, allowing members to hold discussions in a forum, receive training, and share ideas, information and solutions on issues affecting the profession and the public; and

WHEREAS, AHGPA's mission is to develop, support, and promote excellence in the public procurement profession through education, collaboration, and addressing the challenges that are unique to our distinct locations; and

WHEREAS, AHGPA's vision is to be an outstanding professional resource for Alaska and Hawai'i procurement professionals by providing networking opportunities, professional development and support, preparation with certification while promoting and maintaining the highest ethical standards; and


WHEREAS, public procurement professionals in AHGPA acknowledge their accountability to the general public and practice the Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service and Transparency as established by NIGP;

THEREFORE I, DAVID Y. IGE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim March 2017 as

“PROCUREMENT MONTH”

in Hawai'i and ask all residents of Hawai'i to join the Alaska-Hawai'i Government Purchasing Association and NIGP in recognizing the many contributions made by public procurement professionals and their role in promoting an effective, efficient and open state government.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-first day of February 2017.


DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i


SHAN S. TSUTSUI
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i