



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the public procurement profession plays a significant role in the efficiency and effectiveness of both government and business; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the purchase of goods and services, Procurement adds value to the organization by performing such functions as executing, implementing and administering contracts, developing strategic procurement strategies and cultivating working relationships with suppliers and other departments within the organization; and

WHEREAS, public procurement professionals that are members of the **West Virginia Chapter of NIGP** and in other public and private organizations have tremendous influence on the economic conditions in the United States, with accumulative purchasing power running into the billions of dollars; and

WHEREAS, the **West Virginia Chapter of NIGP** through its members is committed to providing high-caliber strategic, logistical and operational support of all agencies associated with the Chapter; and

WHEREAS, the **West Virginia Chapter of NIGP** recognizes, supports and practices the Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service and Transparency, established by NIGP - The Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP) as fundamental tenets of the public procurement profession; and

WHEREAS, NIGP has proclaimed the month of **March as Procurement Month** to further expand the awareness of the purchasing professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, business and corporate leaders;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Governing Board of the **West Virginia Chapter of NIGP** do hereby proclaim **March 14, 2018** as

PROFESSIONAL BUYER' S DAY

and urge all members to join with the **West Virginia Chapter of NIGP** in recognizing the role of the purchasing and materials management profession within business, industry and government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, on behalf of the Governing Board, I have hereunto set my hand this 16th day of February, 2018.

Alberta Kincaid

President