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 professionals add 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 in the City of Tucson 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 public procurement professionals in the City of Tucson are committed to providing high-caliber strategic, logistical and operational support of all departments within the City of Tucson; and

WHEREAS, the public procurement professionals in the City of Tucson recognize, support and practice 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 procurement professional’s role to governmental officials, the general public, business and corporate leaders;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Regina Romero, Mayor of the City of Tucson, Arizona, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2021 to be

PROCUREMENT MONTH
and March 10, 2021 as

PROFESSIONAL BUYER’S DAY

in the City of Tucson and urge all citizens to join the City of Tucson in recognizing the role of the purchasing and materials management profession within business, industry and government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Tucson, Arizona to be affixed this 10th day of March, 2021.

Regina Romero, Mayor

ATTEST:

Roger W. Randolph, City Clerk