WHEREAS, the vision of the City of Greenville Purchasing Division is to serve as trusted partners in local government procurement; expertly delivering collaborative strategic solutions to enhance and to support city services for sustainable growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the City of Greenville Purchasing Division is to ensure the ethical procurement and responsive delivery of quality goods and services through fair, full, and open competition in accordance with applicable laws, and policies; and

WHEREAS, the public procurement profession has a significant role in the quality, operational efficiency, and sustainability of business and government throughout the United States, carrying out public procurement professional duties with integrity, accountability, equal opportunity, stewardship, and excellence; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Division is responsible for purchasing supplies, materials, equipment; awards contractual and service agreements, conducts and participates in bidding contracts; and conducts the sale of surplus property to maximize revenue; and does so with tremendous influence, and accumulative purchasing power; and

WHEREAS, the month of March has been designated as National Procurement Month to recognize procurement professionals for their efforts, contributions, and significant role of excellence in stewardship and service in governmental procurement; and

WHEREAS, the Carolinas Association of Government Purchasing (CAGP), National Institute of Government Purchasing (NIGP), and other associations around the nation will engage in holding special events to further educate and inform the general public on the role of public procurement.

NOW THEREFORE, I, P. J. Connelly, Mayor of the City of Greenville, North Carolina, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2020 as

PURCHASING MONTH

in Greenville.

This the 19th day of February, 2020.

P. J. Connelly, Mayor