

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, public procurement is an essential function of state government, providing for the purchase of goods and services necessary for the safe and effective operations of the state, including purchases for education, information technology, health and human services, natural resources, agriculture, transportation, marketing, administration, and others; and

WHEREAS, the work of the state procurement office benefits state agencies and residence alike through the application of the principles of fiscal responsibility and ethical use of taxpayer dollars for the operations of the state; and

WHEREAS, public procurement requires specific knowledge and skills to maintain fair and competitive bid practices, conduct thorough market research, administer effective negotiations for the mutual benefit of the state and supplier, and successfully monitor and evaluate all state contracts; and

WHEREAS, the month of March has been designed as National Procurement Month.

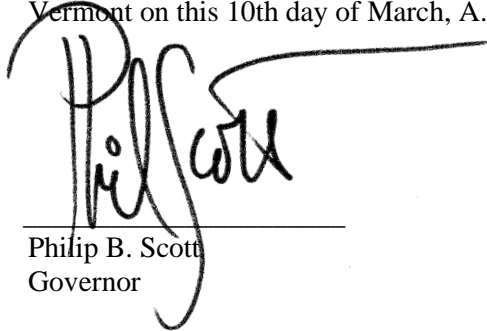
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim March 2023 as

PROCUREMENT MONTH

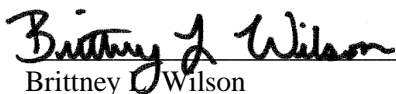
in Vermont.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 10th day of March, A.D. 2023.



Philip B. Scott
Governor


Brittney J. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs