

## SPO ALERT

**Date:** April 5, 2023  
**To:** State Agencies  
**From:** State Procurement Office  
**RE:** SPO Alert - Government March 2023 Proclamation

It is with great pleasure that the State Procurement Office announces the official proclamation, signed by Katie Hobbs, of March 2023 as Arizona Purchasing Month. Public procurement holds a significant role in allowing the purchasing, distribution, and management of goods and services through contracts in the State of Arizona. The State Procurement Office is looking forward to building more awareness through education and information on the importance of purchasing and public procurement! Please refer to the image below for the 2023 Government proclamation.

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# 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 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 State of Arizona 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 State of Arizona are committed to providing high-caliber strategic, logistical and operational support of all departments within the State of Arizona; and

**WHEREAS**, the public procurement professionals in the State of Arizona 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, Katie Hobbs, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim March 2023 as

## PROCUREMENT MONTH

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona



GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this first day of March in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Seventh.

ATTEST:

  
SECRETARY OF STATE