WHEREAS, the work of the State Procurement Office and public procurement officers benefit state agencies and institutions, local government entities and citizens alike through the application of the principles of fiscal responsibility and ethical use of taxpayer dollars for the operations of state and local government entities; and

WHEREAS, 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 local government entities and suppliers, and successfully monitor and evaluate all governmental contracts; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Dakota is supported by a highly qualified and dedicated state procurement staff and public procurement officers who demonstrate professionalism on all levels and understand the importance of the work they perform; and

WHEREAS, an efficient and well-educated procurement team enhances the ability of a government to operate at its maximum when delivering its services to its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the state of North Dakota is extremely grateful for the procurement of necessary supplies and technologies that has assisted in the state team members’ and citizens’ accessibility and ease of interaction with the government.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim March 2024, GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT MONTH in the State of North Dakota.

Doug Burgum
GOVERNOR

Michael Howe
SECRETARY OF STATE