



## National Lieutenant Governors Association

### 1                   **Resolution Recognizing March as National Procurement Month**

2   **WHEREAS**, public procurement is an essential function of government, providing for the purchase of  
3 goods and services necessary for the safe and effective operations of the state/territory, including purchases  
4 for education, health and human services, transportation, administration, and others, and

5   **WHEREAS**, the work of the government procurement offices benefit state/territorial agencies, local  
6 governments, school districts, and citizens alike through the application of the principles of fiscal  
7 responsibility and ethical use of taxpayer dollars for the operations of government, and

8   **WHEREAS**, public procurement requires specific knowledge and skills to maintain fair and competitive  
9 purchasing practices, conduct thorough market research, administer effective negotiations for the mutual  
10 benefit of governments and suppliers, and successfully monitor and evaluate all government purchasing  
11 contracts, and

12 **WHEREAS**, in addition to the purchase of goods and services, public procurement adds value by  
13 performing such functions as executing, implementing, and administering contracts, developing strategic  
14 procurement strategies and cultivating working relationships with suppliers and other departments within  
15 the organization, and

16 **WHEREAS**, state and local governments everywhere are supported by a highly qualified and dedicated  
17 procurement staff who demonstrate professionalism on all levels and understand the importance of the  
18 work they perform, and

19 **WHEREAS**, the National Lieutenant Governors Association supports and practices the public  
20 procurement values and guiding principles of accountability, ethics, impartiality, professionalism, service,  
21 and transparency established by the Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP) as fundamental tenets of the  
22 public procurement profession, and

23 **WHEREAS**, many organizations around the nation and units of public procurement hold activities and  
24 events annually in March to further educate and inform the general public on the critical role that public  
25 procurement plays in our government's success.

26 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the National Lieutenant Governors Association joins  
27 lieutenant governors and seconds-in-command across the country to proclaim March 2023,  
28 March 2024, and March 2025 as "National Procurement Month."

ADOPTED, this day, the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July, 2022.



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Sponsors: Lt. Governor Adam Gregg (R – Iowa), Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long (D – Delaware), Lt. Governor Randy McNally (R – Tennessee), Lt. Governor Billy Nungesser (R – Louisiana)