

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 City of Falls Church and in other public 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 City of Falls Church are committed to providing high-caliber strategic, logistical, and operational support of all departments within the city government; and
- WHEREAS, the public procurement professionals in the City of Falls Church recognize, support, and practice the Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service, and Transparency, established by 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, David Tarter, Mayor of the City of Falls Church, Virginia, do hereby proclaim March 2021 as

PROCUREMENT MONTH

and March 1, 2021 as

PROFESSIONAL BUYERS DAY

in the City of Falls Church and urge all citizens to join the City of Falls Church in recognizing the role of the purchasing and materials management profession within business, industry and government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Falls Church, Virginia to be affixed this 22nd day of February 2021.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Tarter", is written over a horizontal line.

David Tarter, Mayor