

PURCHASING MONTH

WHEREAS: The purchasing and materials management professions play a significant role in the efficiency and effectiveness of both government and business; and

WHEREAS: Effective purchasing professionals buy products and services balancing and negotiating the time, source and price. An effective purchasing professional acts as part lawyer, engineer, economist, accountant, psychologist and administrator; and

WHEREAS: Over 600 state, local and federal members provide valuable training and educational services to the Department of Administrative Services and other state agencies in the areas of procurement and materials management; and

WHEREAS: Purchasing and materials management professionals, through their combined purchasing power, spend billions of dollars every year and so have a significant influence upon economic conditions throughout the world; and

WHEREAS: Many Georgians will engage in special efforts during the month of March to inform the public about the importance of the role played by the purchasing profession in business, industry and government; now

THEREFORE: I, SONNY PERDUE, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 2006 as PURCHASING MONTH in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this second day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand six.