

# Proclamation



Bob Buckhorn, Mayor

**WHEREAS**, purchasing professionals make important contributions to assure the resourceful use of taxpayer dollars by providing efficient service while maintaining the highest standards; and

**WHEREAS**, local, state and federal purchasing professionals are responsible for maintaining and monitoring billions of dollars' worth of goods and services every year, directly influencing national and international economies; and

**WHEREAS**, the **City of Tampa Purchasing Department** plays a significant role in the quality, efficiency and effectiveness of Tampa, Florida City Government; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the purchase of goods and services, the Purchasing Department engages in or has direct responsibility for functions such as executing, implementing and administering contracts, developing forecasts and procurement strategies, supervising and monitoring the flow and storage of materials, and developing working relationships with suppliers and other service centers and groups within the organization; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Tampa Purchasing Department has received the *Annual Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award* from the National Purchasing Institute for twelve consecutive years from 2007 to 2018, was honored with the *Partnership & Service Award* from the City of Tampa Department of Solid Waste and Environmental Program Management in both 2013 and 2015, and was recognized for its long-standing fifty-year National Institute for Public Procurement membership in 2018.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Bob Buckhorn, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the city of Tampa, Florida, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2019 as

## “PURCHASING MONTH”

in the city of Tampa, Florida, and urge all citizens to join me in recognizing the important role of purchasing professionals within business, industry and government.

Dated in Tampa, Florida, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019.



*Bob Buckhorn*

Mayor

