

**PROCUREMENT MONTH PROCLAMATION
INDIAN RIVER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

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 such as executing, implementing and administering contracts, developing strategic procurement strategies, and cultivating effective relationships with suppliers and other departments within the County; and

WHEREAS, public procurement professionals serve as the gatekeepers of the competitive processes, and are entrusted with the responsibility of ensuring that those processes are conducted with fairness and transparency for our partners in the business community; and

WHEREAS, Indian River County's Procurement Division is committed to the established procurement best practices, as well as the guiding principles of accountability, ethics, impartiality, professionalism, service, and transparency; and

WHEREAS, by illustrating the highest standards in innovation, professionalism, productivity, e-procurement, and leadership, the Procurement Division earned The 2025 Achievement of Excellence In Procurement Award from The National Procurement Institute; and

WHEREAS, The Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP) and Florida Association of Public Procurement Officials (FAPPO) have each proclaimed the month of March as Procurement Month to further expand the awareness of the procurement professional's role to government officials, the general public, business, and corporate leaders;

NOW THEREFORE, The Indian River County Board of County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2026 as:

PROCUREMENT MONTH

in Indian River County and urge all citizens to join the County in recognizing the role of the procurement professionals within business, industry, and government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Indian River County Board of County Commissioners to be affixed this XX__ day of XXXXXXXX, 2026

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