FROM THE OFFICES OF MAYOR ASHLEY SWEARENGIN, CITY MANAGER MARK SCOTT AND THE FRESNO CITY COUNCIL

PROCLAMATION

RECOGNIZING THE PURCHASING DIVISION OF THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT IN HONOR OF NATIONAL PURCHASING MONTH

- 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 adds value to the organization by performing such functions such as executing and implementing 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 Fresno and in other public and private 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 Purchasing Division of the Finance Department in the City of Fresno is committed to providing high caliber strategic logistical and operational support of all departments within the City of Fresno and
- WHEREAS, the Purchasing Division and the City of Fresno recognizes, supports and practices the Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service and Transparency, established by NIGP—The National Institute of Governmental Purchasing as fundamental tenants of the public procurement profession; and
- WHEREAS, NIGP has proclaimed the month of March as Purchasing Month to further expand the awareness of the purchasing professionals' role to governmental officials, the general public, business and corporate leaders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that we, Mayor Ashley Swearengin, City Manager Mark Scott, and the Fresno City Council, do hereby recognize and congratulate the Purchasing Division during National Purchasing Month and commend their efforts of going the extra mile in support of their customers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the Seal of the City of Fresno, California, this 29th day of March, 2012.

ASHLEY SWEARENGIN, Mayor

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