

**CLAYTON COUNTY OBSERVES
MARCH 2015 AS
PROCUREMENT MONTH**

- WHEREAS:** The Clayton County Central Services Department has a significant impact on the quality, efficiency, and effectiveness of Clayton County Government through its Centralized Procurement System; and
- WHEREAS:** In addition to the procurement of goods and services, County procurement professionals engage in the award of contracts, material management and initiatives to ensure that small, local, women and minority business enterprises have the opportunity to participate in County contracts; and
- WHEREAS:** The Clayton County Central Services Department recognizes, supports and practices the Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service and Transparency, established by the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP), as fundamental tenants of the public procurement profession; and
- WHEREAS:** The month of March has been designated as Procurement Month by the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP); and
- WHEREAS:** Purchasing organizations throughout the world engage in efforts during the month of March to inform the public about the important role performed by procurement professionals; and
- WHEREAS:** The Central Services Department has scheduled numerous outreach events including a "Procurement Open House" and a "Vendor Fair" to further expand awareness of Procurement functions and opportunities in Clayton County; now
- THEREFORE:** I, JEFFREY E. TURNER, Chairman, on behalf of the Clayton County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2015 as **Clayton County Procurement Month** in Clayton County, Georgia. I encourage all citizens to engage in special efforts during this month to recognize the importance of the role played by the procurement profession in business, industry, and government.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of Clayton County, Georgia, to be affixed this 3rd day of March in the year two thousand fifteen.

Jeffrey E. Turner, Chairman