



*The Office of the Mayor*

## **P R O C L A M A T I O N**

**WHEREAS,** public procurement is an essential function of the City of Meridian, providing for the purchase of goods and services for the safe and effective operations of the City.

**WHEREAS,** the City of Meridian is supported by highly qualified Procurement Professionals who demonstrate professionalism on all levels and whom dedicate themselves to providing the best value for every taxpayer dollar; and,

**WHEREAS,** public procurement is an essential function of government, and the City of Meridian Procurement Division plays a significant role, which requires specific knowledge and skills to maintain fair and ethical practices and successful negotiations for the mutual benefit of the City and supplier. Procurement adds value to the City by performing such functions and cultivating working relationships in and out of the organization.

**WHEREAS,** the Procurement Division and the City of Meridian recognize, supports and practices the five (5) Public Procurement Values and Guiding Principles of Accountability, Ethics, Impartiality, Professionalism, Service and Transparency established by the National Institute for Public Procurement (NIGP).

**WHEREAS,** NIGP has proclaimed the month of March as Procurement Month to further expand awareness of the procurement professional's role to governmental officials, the general public, business and corporate leaders.

**THEREFORE,** I, Mayor Robert E. Simison, hereby proclaim March 2025 as

## **Procurement Month**

in the City of Meridian and urge the residents of our community to recognize the role of the procurement profession within business, industry and government.

*Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025*

A blue ink signature of Robert E. Simison, written over a horizontal line.

Robert E. Simison, Mayor

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