

WHEREAS, the Kansas City, Mid Missouri, Ozark, and St. Louis Chapters of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) is a professional organization, part of the Association of Government Accountants which has a network of more than 14,000 members in 92 chapters in the United States and around the world and approximately 400 active members representing state, federal, municipal, and private sector accountants, auditors, financial managers, and other governmental financial management disciplines in Missouri; and

WHEREAS, AGA Kansas City, Mid Missouri, Ozark, and St. Louis Chapter members have responded to AGA's mission of advancing government accountability, as it continues its broad educational efforts, with emphasis on high standards of conduct, honor, and character in its Code of Ethics, and are making significant advances both in professional ability and in service to the citizens of Missouri by mastering increasingly technical and complex requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) program of AGA provides a means of demonstrating professionalism and competency by requiring CGFM candidates to have appropriate educational and employment history, to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics, and to pass three examinations requiring expertise in Governmental Environment, Governmental Financial Management and Control, and Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting, and requires each CGFM holder to maintain certification by completing at least 80 hours of continuing professional education in government financial management topics or related technical subjects every two years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael L. Parson, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby proclaim March 2023, to be

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in Missouri.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 27th day of January, 2023.

