

A PROCLAMATION

The Association of Government Accountants ("AGA") is a professional organization with nearly 13,000 members in over 90 chapters across the world. In Arizona, there is both a Phoenix and Southern Arizona chapter with over 200 total active members who represent municipal, state, federal, and private sector accountants, auditors, and financial managers.

In both chapters, members have responded to the AGA's mission of "advancing government accountability." These individuals are broadening educational efforts and emphasizing high standards of conduct, honor, and character.

The AGA's Certified Government Financial Manager ("CGFM") program provides a means of demonstrating professionalism and competency by requiring CGFM candidates to have appropriate educational and employment history, to abide by the AGA's Code of Ethics, and to pass three examinations which all require expertise in governmental environment, governmental financial management and control, and governmental accounting, financial reporting, and budgeting. Each CGFM holder must maintain certification, which is done by completing at least 80 hours of continuing professional education in a variety of topics related to government financial management every two years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KATE GALLEGO, Mayor of the City of Phoenix, Arizona, in accordance with the law, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

in the City of Phoenix today and urge all residents to thank these professionals in their service to our amazing city.