

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH *MARCH 2011*

WHEREAS,

The Association of Government Accountants is a professional organization with a network of q14,000 members in the Untied States and around the world representing state, federal, local and private sector government accountability professionals; and

WHEREAS,

AGA members have responded to AGA's mission of Advancing Government Accountability, as it continues its broad educational efforts, with emphasis 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 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 a 3-part examination requiring expertise in Governmental Environment, Governmental Financial Management and Control, and Governmental Accounting, Financial Reporting and Budgeting, and requires each CGFM 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, MARTIN O'MALLEY, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MARCH 2011 as CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH in Maryland, and do commend this celebration to all of our citizens.



Given Under ally Hand and the Great Seal of the State of allaryland,

this 1st Two Thousand March

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