Proclamation

- WHEREAS, Certified Government Financial Managers face the challenge of using the financial resources of governments in the most effective manner and are committed to serving the public interest by observing sound accounting practices, providing effective financial management, and reporting financial conditions accurately and in a timely manner; and
- WHEREAS, Certified Government Financial Managers are awarded their certification by the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) after meeting certain program requirements, and since the program began in 1994, approximately 14,000 individuals have received this designation with fifty of them currently living in Santa Clara County; and
- WHEREAS, Certified Government Financial Managers must have a Bachelor of Arts degree or higher from an accredited college or university with twenty-four credit hours of courses in accounting, auditing, finance, or related topics, and at least two years of professional-level experience in government financial management at any government level, the private sector, or academia; and
- WHEREAS, Certified Government Financial Managers must pass a three-part examination that covers topics related to governmental finances that include financial management and control, accounting, financial reporting, budgeting, and operating in a governmental environment; and
- WHEREAS, Certified Government Financial Managers agree to abide by AGA's Code of Ethics that requires them to perform their duties honestly, fairly, and diligently, to respect the confidentiality of the information they acquire except when they have a duty to disclose, to observe relevant technical and professional standards, and to refrain from any conduct that may bring discredit to their profession; and
- WHEREAS, Certified Government Financial Managers retain certification by adhering to AGA's Code of Ethics and completing at least eighty hours of continuing professional education in government financial management topics or related technical subjects every two years;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Clara, State of California, does hereby proclaim the Month of March as

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

in recognition of Certified Government Financial Managers' commitment to advancing the goal of increasing government accountability.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this Eleventh Day of March, Two Thousand and Eight by unanimous vote.

Attest: Phyllis Perez

Clerk, Board of Supervisors

Board of Supervisors

Supervisor, District Two

Supervisor, District Five