

WHEREAS, the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) is a professional organization with a network of 14,000 members in 90 chapters in the United States and around the world and approximately 520 active members representing state, federal, local and private sector government accountability professionals; and

WHEREAS, AGA Central Ohio 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 Ohio 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, Mike DeWine, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize March 2025 as

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

On this 1st day of March 2025.

Mike DeWine Governor

