



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the Nashville Chapter 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 103 chapters in the United States and around the world and approximately 541 active members representing state, federal, municipal and private sector accountants, auditors, and financial managers in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, 269 members work for the State of Tennessee, and the Nashville chapter has 394 members; and

WHEREAS, AGA Nashville 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

WHEREAS, members are making significant advances both in professional ability and in service to the citizens of Tennessee 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

WHEREAS, this program also 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; and

WHEREAS, there are more than 200 CGFMs currently active in the State of Tennessee;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim March, 2016 as

*Certified Government Financial
Manager Month*

in Tennessee and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this twenty-eighth day of January, 2016.

Governor

Secretary of State

