State of Maine

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Maine and Aroostook Chapters of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) are professional organizations with 146 members in Maine and are active chapters within the Association of Government Accountants which has 14,000 members in the United States and around the world, representing state, federal, local and private sector government accountability professionals, and

WHEREAS, Maine AGA 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 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 education and professional experience, 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 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, THERFORE, I, Paul R. LePage, the Governor of the State of Maine, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2012 as

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

throughout the State of Maine, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.

In testimony whereof, I have caused
the Great Seal of the State to be
hereunto affixed GIVEN under my hand
at Augusta this seventh day of March
Two Thousand Twelve.

Paul R. LePage
Governor

Charles E. Summers, Jr.
Secretary of State
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