BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

WHEREAS: Certified Government Financial Managers (CGFM) play a vital role in our government, promoting quality and ethics in financial management; and

WHEREAS: These financial managers serve the public’s interests in accordance with the highest ethical principles; and

WHEREAS: The Association of Government Accountants (AGA) is a professional organization that offers a CGFM program. This program requires CGFM candidates to have an appropriate educational and employment history, abide by AGA’s Code of Ethics, and pass three examinations to show expertise in governmental environment, governmental accounting, governmental financial management and control, and financial reporting and budgeting. To keep their certification, CGFMs are required to complete at least eighty hours of continuing professional education in government financial management topics or related technical subjects every two years; and

WHEREAS: AGA has a network of 14,000 members in ninety-two chapters across the United States and around the world. AGA’s Atlanta chapter is represented by more than 200 state, federal, municipal and private sector accountants, auditors, and financial managers; and

WHEREAS: Georgia’s CGFMs have demonstrated AGA’s mission of advancing government accountability and education, and they are making significant advances both in service and professional ability in mastering the increasingly technical and complex requirements of the industry; and

WHEREAS: Our state is fortunate to have government employees who excel in the workplace. These hardworking men and women demonstrate dependability, initiative, and practical stewardship of state resources. CGFMs play an important role among these outstanding professionals as they continue to provide outstanding service to our citizens; now

THEREFORE: I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim March 2020 as CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGERS MONTH in Georgia.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 4th day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty.

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GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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CHIEF OF STAFF