

A Proclamation

Proclamation No. 2013 - 024

PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MARCH 2013

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GUAM CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

WHEREAS, transparency and accountability are the cornerstones of a responsible government, especially in financial management.

The Association of Government Accountants is a professional organization that is dedicated to serving those who are faced with the challenge of using financial resources within the government in the most effective, efficient ways possible. The AGA provides quality education, fosters professional development and certification, and supports standards and research to advance government accountability.

Since 1950, the AGA has been the catalyst addressing the issues and challenges facing government financial managers, and currently has 15,000 members and 100 chapters worldwide, which represent every level of government financial management.

The Certified Government Financial Manager program of AGA promotes professionalism and competency. It requires candidates to have appropriate educational and employment history, and to pass three examinations testing their expertise in governmental environment, governmental financial management and control, government accounting, financial reporting, and budgeting.

Certified Government Financial Manager Month recognizes the hard work and dedication of professionals who uphold transparency and accountability as paramount qualities for all people who work in public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDDIE BAZA CALVO, I Maga'Låhen Guåhan, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby proclaim the month of March 2013 as Guam Certified Government Financial Manager Month. I congratulate the members of the Guam Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants, and all government accountants for their service to Guam. I encourage Guamanians to recognize the contributions of these public servants and their commitment to transparency and responsible governance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand and cause the Great Seal of Guam to be affixed in the Capital City of *Hagåtña*, on this **Fifteenth** day of **March** in the Year of our Lord, *Anno Domini*, **Two Thousand Thirteen.**

EDDIE BAZA CALVO

I Maga' Låhen Guåhan Governor of Guam

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I Segundo na Maga' Låhen Guåhan Lieutenant Governor of Guam ...of the Governor