

V. Discussion/Information Items/Presentations

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Henry P. Roybal
Commissioner, District 1

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Commissioner, District 5

Katherine Miller
County Manager

DATE: March 16, 2015

TO: Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Tessa Jo Mascareñas, Constituent Services Liaison, County Manager's Office 

VIA: Katherine Miller, County Manager

RE: **A Proclamation Proclaiming the Month of March as Certified Government Financial Managers Month. (Commissioner Chavez)**

Background and Summary

AGA is a member organization for financial professionals in government. AGA was founded as the Federal Government Accountants Association (FGAA) by Robert W. King and a group of federal government accountants on September 14, 1950. The Association expanded in 1975 to include state and local government finance professionals and the organization's name was changed to the Association of Government Accountants (AGA).

AGA's mission is to foster learning, certification, leadership and collaboration for professionals and stakeholders committed to advancing government accountability.

Staff Recommendation

It is recommended that this proclamation be passed in order to support the initiatives of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA). Passage would highlight the training that Santa Fe County employees attend regarding financial practices as well as the outstanding accolades that Santa Fe County has received for its financial methods.



Santa Fe County Proclamation

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY

A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGERS MONTH

WHEREAS, the New Mexico Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) based in Santa Fe, New Mexico, is a professional organization, and part of the Association of Government Accountants, which has a network of over 14,805 members in 104 chapters in the United States and around the world; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 249 active members representing state, federal, municipal and private sector accountants, auditors, and financial managers in New Mexico; and

WHEREAS, AGA New Mexico 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. The AGA NM Chapter is making significant advances in their professional ability and in service to the citizens of New Mexico by mastering technical and complex requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe County Finance Department was awarded the Government Financial Officers' Association (GFOA) Distinguished Budget Presentation Award by the New Mexico Association of Counties from Fiscal Years 2001-2009 and Fiscal Years 2012-2014; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe County Finance Department was awarded the GFOA Distinguished Annual Financial Statement Report Award by the New Mexico Association of Counties for the past four (4) fiscal years; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe County Treasurer's Office employees are actively being trained in financial management through New Mexico EDGE (*Education Designed to Generate Excellence in the Public Sector*) courses and certifications to acquire and apply the highest professional standards, best practices, and theories to their financial management behaviors and strategies; 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 the appropriate educational and employment history. The candidates must abide by AGA's Code of Ethics; pass three examinations requiring expertise in government environment, governmental financial management and control and governmental financial management and budgeting; and maintain certification by completing at least 80 hours of continuing professional education in governmental financial management topics or related technical subjects every two years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT WE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SANTA FE COUNTY, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF MARCH 2015, AS



“Certified Government Financial Managers Month”

for the County of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED ON THIS 24th DAY OF MARCH 2015

Robert A. Anaya
Chair
Commissioner District 3

Miguel M. Chavez
Vice-Chair
Commissioner District 2

Henry P. Roybal
Commissioner District 1

Kathy Holian
Commissioner District 4

Liz Stefanics
Commissioner District 5

Katherine Miller
County Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Gregory S. Shaffer
Gregory S. Shaffer, County Attorney

ATTEST:

Geraldine Salazar, County Clerk



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MEMORANDUM

Date: March 24, 2015
To: Board of County Commissioners
Via: Katherine Miller, County Manager
From: Tina Salazar, Constituent Services Liaison on Behalf of Commissioner Holian
Re: A Proclamation Recognizing March 26 - March 28, 2015 As Battle of Glorieta Pass Days. (Commissioner Holian)

Issue:

On the agenda, under Matters from the Commission for your consideration is:

A Proclamation recognizing March 26th through 28th as Battle of Glorieta Pass Days. A battle fought during the Civil War, in which courageous Colorado volunteers and New Mexico soldiers stood together against the Confederate Army at Apache Canyon. The battle resumed west of the village of Glorieta, and there the Confederates were defeated. This battle played a significant role in the Civil War and prevented the Confederacy from taking control of the West.

Let us remember the highest sacrifices made by those soldiers who died on the battlefields in the battles of Glorieta Pass and Apache Canyon, and recognize their crucial role in ensuring the future union of our great country and in preserving the freedoms we all enjoy as citizens.

Request Action:

Commissioner Holian respectfully requests the Board of County Commissioners support and approve this item.



Santa Fe County Proclamation

Introduced by Commissioner Kathy Holian

RECOGNIZING MARCH 26 - MARCH 28, 2015 AS BATTLE OF GLORIETA PASS DAYS

WHEREAS, during the American Civil War, New Mexico became a key arena in the war as the Confederate Army advanced northward through the state, gaining ground in battles from Las Cruces to Santa Fe, and on March 10, 1862, forced the territorial seat of government to retreat to Las Vegas;

WHEREAS, the Battle of Glorieta was fought over the course of two days in places called Apache Canyon, Pigeon's Ranch and Johnson's Ranch, all in the vicinity of Glorieta Pass in what was then known as New Mexico Territory;

WHEREAS, on March 26, 1862, the first day, the courageous Colorado volunteers and New Mexico soldiers stood together against the Confederate Army in the Battle at Apache Canyon, just 13 miles from Santa Fe, losing only 5 Union soldiers, taking 71 confederate prisoners and killing an estimated 5 Confederate soldiers;

WHEREAS, the battle resumed on March 28, 1862, west of the Village of Glorieta at Pigeon's Ranch and Johnson's Ranch near Glorieta Pass, and there the Confederates were effectively defeated as a result of the rear guard destruction of the Confederates' wagon train at Johnson's Ranch;

WHEREAS, during the last day of the battle each side sustained nearly equal losses of approximately 46 killed, 15 captured and 60 wounded, with 30 Confederate casualties of the battle being discovered in modern times buried in a mass grave on Pigeon's Ranch;

WHEREAS, the victory of the battle at Glorieta Pass occurred 1 year, 7 months and 13 days before Gettysburg and is seen as a turning point in the Civil War by preventing the Confederates from taking control of gold and silver mines from Colorado to California;

WHEREAS, for over 150 years, the significance of the Battle of Glorieta Pass has been inadequately recognized, and this battlefield, known as the "Gettysburg of the West," remains among the top 10 most endangered Civil War battlefields; and

WHEREAS, it is our duty to remember the highest sacrifices made by all those soldiers who died or were gravely wounded on March 26 to 28, 1862 during the Battle of Glorieta Pass, and to recognize their crucial role in solidifying the future union of our great country and in preserving the freedom we all enjoy as citizens.



NOW THEREFORE, the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners hereby proclaims that we recognize:

March 26 - March 28, 2015 As

“The Battle of Glorieta Pass Days”

APPROVED, ADOPTED AND PASSED ON this 24th day March, 2015.

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for: Approved as to Form by:
Attorney Gregory S. Shaffer

Willie R. Brown

Attested by:
Geraldine Salazar, County Clerk



