



Florida Government Finance Officers Association

2026 FGFOA Government
Finance Professionals Week

FLORIDA GOVERNMENT FINANCE PROFESSIONALS WEEK



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**AFTERNOON
COOKIES**
YOU'RE ONE SMART COOKIE!

**AFTERNOON
GELATO**

YOU ALWAYS STAY COOL
UNDER PRESSURE.



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BREAKFAST
FOR YOUR EGG-CELLENT
WORK



City of Aventura

 CITY OF
Boca Raton
Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Florida Government Finance Officers Association (FGFOA) is a professional association founded in 1937 and serves more than 3,300 professionals from state, county and city governments, school districts, colleges and universities, special districts and private firms; and

WHEREAS, the FGFOA is dedicated to being your professional resource by providing opportunities through education, networking, leadership and information; and

WHEREAS, Government Finance Professionals Week, sponsored by the FGFOA and its member organizations, is a weeklong series of activities aimed at recognizing government finance professionals and the vital services that they provide to our state and to our community; and

WHEREAS, during this week, government finance professionals throughout the State of Florida will be acknowledged for their hard work, dedication, efforts both virtually and in-person and leadership;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott Singer, Mayor of the City of Boca Raton, Florida do hereby proclaim March 16-20, 2026 as

GOVERNMENT FINANCE PROFESSIONALS WEEK

in Boca Raton and, in so doing, encourage all residents to extend their appreciation to the City of Boca Raton finance professionals for their contributions to the financial well-being of our community.




Scott Singer
Mayor
March 16, 2026



City of Boca Raton

Charlotte County Florida



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The Florida Government Finance Officers Association is a professional association founded in 1937 and serves more than 3,300 professionals from state, county and city governments, school districts, colleges and universities, special districts and private firms; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte County Board of County Commissioners, along with the Clerk of the Circuit Court and County Comptroller, Court Administration, Charlotte County Sheriff, State Attorney, Property Appraiser, Supervisor of Elections, Tax Collector and the City of Punta Gorda offices employ ninety-five (95) government finance professionals who are dedicated to being conscientious stewards of the county's resources and providing timely, accurate and transparent financial reporting to the citizens of the county; and

WHEREAS, Government Finance Professionals Week, sponsored by the FGFOA and all its member governmental organizations, is a weeklong series of activities aimed at recognizing government finance professionals and the vital services that they provide to our state and our community; and

WHEREAS, during this week, government finance professionals throughout the State of Florida will be acknowledged for their hard work, dedication, and leadership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that March 16-20, 2026 shall be known in all of Charlotte County as

Government Finance Professionals Week

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 10th day of March 2026

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CHARLOTTE COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: 
Joseph M. Tiseo, Chairman

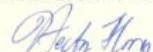
ATTEST:



Roger D. Eaton, Clerk of Circuit
Court and Ex-Officio Clerk to the
Board of County Commissioners



APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Hector Flores, County Administrator



Charlotte County BCC



Collier County Clerk of Court & Comptroller



The City of Fort Myers, Florida Proclamation

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Whereas, this Government Finance Professionals Week, sponsored by the FGFOA and all of its member governmental organizations, is a weeklong series of activities aimed at recognizing government finance professionals and the vital services that they provide to our state and our community; and

Whereas, during this week, government finance professionals throughout the State of Florida will be acknowledged for their hard work, dedication and leadership.

Now, Therefore, I, Kevin Anderson, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Fort Myers, Florida, do hereby proclaim March 16-20, 2026, as

Government Finance Professionals Week

in Fort Myers and extend our appreciation to all government finance professionals throughout the state and here in the City of Fort Myers for their hard work, dedication and leadership.

In Witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the Great Seal of the City of Fort Myers, Florida, on this 16th day of March in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.

Kevin B. Anderson
Mayor



City of Fort Myers

Proclamation

WHEREAS, government finance professionals serve the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners and Hillsborough County Constitutional Officers, promoting prosperity by ensuring sound fiscal management, fruitful investments, and diligent accounting, among many other services; and

WHEREAS, the government finance professionals who serve the Board of County Commissioners hold degrees in accounting, finance, economics, business administration, and public administration; and

WHEREAS, they have earned numerous credentials, including certified public accountant, certified government finance officer, certified internal auditor, certified information systems auditor, certified fraud examiner, and project management professional; and

WHEREAS, the impact of these dedicated professionals extends well beyond Hillsborough County, as they serve on or lead a variety of statewide committees of the Florida Government Finance Officers Association; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1937, the Florida Government Finance Officers Association serves more than 3,300 professionals from State, County, and City governments, colleges and universities, special districts, and private firms; and

WHEREAS, the association is the top professional resource for government finance, providing opportunities through education, networking, and leadership, as well as distributing crucial information, and its members adhere to a Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct in the fulfillment of their professional responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Government Finance Officers Association and its member governmental organizations are sponsoring Government Finance Professionals Week, which recognizes government finance professionals and the vital services they provide Hillsborough County and throughout the state,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida does hereby declare March 16 through March 20, 2026 as

Government Finance Professionals Week

in Hillsborough County, and encourages all residents to extend their appreciation to all government finance professionals throughout Florida and Hillsborough County for their hard work, dedication, and leadership.

Executed this 6th day of March, 2026



Ken Hagan

Christine Miller

Raven Myers

Hanny Cohen

Donna Cameron Cepeda

Chris Blair

[Signature]



Hillsborough County

CITY OF LARGO PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Florida Government Finance Officers Association (FGFOA) is a professional association founded in 1937 and serves more than 3,300 professionals from state, county and city governments, school districts, colleges and universities, special districts and private firms; and

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WHEREAS, this Government Finance Professionals Week, sponsored by the FGFOA and all of its member governmental organizations, is a weeklong series of activities aimed at recognizing government finance professionals and the vital services that they provide to our state and our community; and

WHEREAS, during this week, government finance professionals throughout the State of Florida will be acknowledged for their hard work, dedication, and leadership.

NOW, therefore, **I, WOODY BROWN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LARGO, FLORIDA**, and on behalf of the City Commission, do hereby proclaim the week of March 16-20, 2026, as

GOVERNMENT FINANCE PROFESSIONALS' WEEK

and extend our appreciation to all government finance professionals throughout the state and here in the City of Largo for their hard work, dedication, and leadership.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the City of Largo, Florida, to be affixed this 3rd day of March, 2026.




MAYOR
ATTEST: 
CITY CLERK



City of Largo



ANGELINA "ANGEL" COLONNESO

Manatee Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller

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Press Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

GFOA honors Manatee Clerk with Triple Crown and three top financial awards

Bradenton, Fla. (March 11, 2026) – In recognition of Government Finance Professionals Week (March 16-20), the Manatee Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller is shining a light on its Finance team for earning top honors from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) — including the Triple Crown Medallion for the fifth consecutive year.

The Triple Crown is reserved for governments that achieve all three of GFOA's top financial reporting designations. The Clerk & Comptroller's office earned two of them: the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the 46th consecutive year and the Popular Annual Financial Report award for the 27th consecutive year. The third, Manatee County's Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, completes the trio.

The office also earned the Port Authority Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) Certificate of Excellence for the 32nd consecutive year, reflecting the same standard of excellence applied to Manatee County's Port Authority financial reporting.

"Forty-six years of this recognition doesn't happen by accident — it reflects a team that holds itself to the highest standards every single year," said Angel Colonneso, Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller for Manatee County. "Transparent, accurate financial reporting is how we earn and keep the public's trust, and I'm proud of the Clerk's Finance Department's unwavering commitment to that work."

The award-winning financial reports are available at www.ManateeClerk.com

To Protect the Public Trust through Integrity and Transparency

Clerk of the Circuit Court • Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners • County Comptroller • County Auditor • County Recorder



Manatee Clerk & Comptroller

**PROCLAMATION
GOVERNMENT FINANCE
PROFESSIONALS WEEK**

March 2026

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WHEREAS, the FGFOA is dedicated to being a professional resource by providing opportunities through education, networking, leadership and information; and

WHEREAS, this Government Finance Professionals Week, sponsored by the FGFOA and all its governmental organizations, is a weeklong series of activities aimed at recognizing government finance professionals and the vital services that they provide to our state and our community; and

WHEREAS, during this week, government finance professionals throughout the State of Florida will be acknowledged for their hard work, dedication and leadership.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WAYNE M. MESSAM, Mayor of the City of Miramar, and on behalf of the City Commission, do hereby proclaim March 16-20 as:

"GOVERNMENT FINANCE PROFESSIONALS WEEK"

in the City of Miramar, and I encourage everyone to recognize and take advantage of the seminars being conducted throughout the State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand and cause the Seal of the City of Miramar to be affixed this 18th day of March 2026.



Mayor Wayne M. Messam



City of Miramar

CITY OF ORANGE CITY, FLORIDA PROCLAMATION

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NOW THEREFORE, I, Kelli Marks, Mayor of the City of Orange City, and on behalf of the City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of March 16 - 20, 2026, as:

“Government Finance Professionals Week”

and further extend appreciation to our Orange City Finance Department and to all Government Finance Professionals for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Orange City to be affixed on this day, March 10th, 2026.

Kelli Marks, Mayor



City of Orange City

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Village of Royal Palm Beach's Finance Department contributes significantly to the efficient functioning of our local government and the well-being of our community; and

WHEREAS, their dedication, expertise, and leadership ensure the responsible management of public funds, transparency, and fiscal accountability; and

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WHEREAS, the association is the top professional resource for government finance, providing opportunities through education, networking, and leadership, as well as distributing crucial information, and its members adhere to a Code of Ethics and Standards of Conduct in the fulfillment of their professional responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, this Government Finance Professionals Week, sponsored by the Florida Government Finance Officers Association and all of its governmental organization members, is a weeklong series of activities aimed at recognizing government finance professionals and the vital services that they provide to our state and our community; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Royal Palm Beach acknowledges the hard work, dedication, and leadership of the finance staff, and extends appreciation to all government finance professionals in the State of Florida.

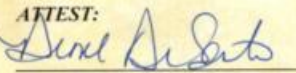
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeff Hmara, Mayor of the Village of Royal Palm Beach do hereby proclaim the week of March 16, 2026 as

Government Finance Professionals Week

in The Village of Royal Palm Beach and I encourage all citizens to extend their appreciation and recognize government finance professionals and the vital services they provide to our community.

Signed and Sealed this 19th day of February 2026.

ATTEST:


Diane DiSanto, Village Clerk


Mayor Jeff Hmara
Village of Royal Palm Beach



Royal Palm Beach



Est. 1565

City of St. Augustine

La Lealísima y Valerosa Ciudad de San Agustín de la Florida

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, The City of St. Augustine's Financial Services Department serves the community of St. Augustine by safeguarding the City's assets, maximizing the use of City revenue, and efficiently providing accurate and timely information to the City Commission, City Manager, and the general public; and

WHEREAS, The City of St. Augustine's Financial Services Department provides customer service to all customers of its three utilities; water, sewer, and solid waste. In addition to assisting the public with business tax receipts, licensing, parking, and vendor permits; and

WHEREAS, The Florida Government Finance Officers Association is a professional association founded in 1937 and serves more than 3,300 professionals from state, county and city governments, school districts, colleges and universities, special districts and private firms; and

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WHEREAS, the City of St. Augustine acknowledges the hard work, dedication, and leadership of its finance staff, and extends appreciation to all government finance professionals in the state of Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of St. Augustine, does hereby proclaim March 16-20, 2026, as **Government Finance Professionals Week** and urges citizens to recognize government finance professionals and the vital services they provide to our community.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of St. Augustine to be affixed this 9th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-six and the four hundred and sixtieth year of the founding of St. Augustine, the Nation's Oldest City.

Nancy Sikes-Kline, Mayor

"Most Loyal and Valorous"

Title conferred on the Presidio of St. Augustine by King Philip V of Spain, November 26, 1715



City of St. Augustine

Toho Water Authority Proclamation

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NOW, THEREFORE, Toho Water Authority hereby proclaims the week of March 16 through 20, 2026 as Government Finance Professionals Week.

Toho Water Authority extends our appreciation to all government finance professionals throughout the state and here in Osceola County for their hard work, dedication and leadership.

Henry Thacker, Chair, Toho Water Authority

PASSED and ADOPTED this 11th day of March, 2026



Toho Water Authority

PROCLAMATION

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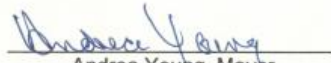
WHEREAS, during this week, government finance professionals throughout the State of Florida will be acknowledged for their hard work, dedication and leadership.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of West Melbourne, Brevard County, Florida, hereby proclaim March 16 through March 20, 2026 as:

"Government Finance Professionals Week"

and extend our appreciation to all government finance professionals throughout the state and here in the City of West Melbourne for their hard work, dedication and leadership.

WITNESS my hand and the Seal of the City this 17th day of March 2026.


Andrea Young, Mayor

ATTEST:


Meighan Alexander, City Clerk



City of West Melbourne



CITY OF WESTON
Proclamation

**2026 GOVERNMENT FINANCE
PROFESSIONALS' WEEK**

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NOW THEREFORE, I, Margaret Brown, as Mayor, and on behalf of Vice Mayor Henry Mead, Commissioner Byron L. Jaffe, Commissioner Mary Molina-Macfie, and Commissioner Fabio A. Andrade, do hereby proclaim **March 16-20, 2026 as Government Finance Professionals Week** in the City of Weston.

We extend our appreciation to Weston CFO Darrel Thomas, Director of Budget Bryan Cahen, Director of Accounting Cindy Tao, Director of Procurement Martha Perez-Garviso and their staff, and to all government finance professionals throughout the state for their hard work, dedication, and leadership.


Mayor Margaret Brown

March 16, 2026



City of Weston



Thank you to everyone
who submitted for the
2026 FGFOA Government
Finance Professionals
Week