## **Suggested Wording for the Proclamation**

**WHEREAS**, internal auditing is a vital part of strengthening organizations and protecting stakeholders of both the public and private sectors; and

**WHEREAS**, internal auditing helps identify and manage the organization's risks and ensure policies, procedures, and controls are in place and working appropriately; and

**WHEREAS**, internal auditing is an increasingly sophisticated and complex activity requiring specialized knowledge, training, and education; and

**WHEREAS**, internal auditing is an established profession, with a globally recognized code of ethics and *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*; and

**WHEREAS,** The Institute of Internal Auditors is the internal audit profession's most widely recognized advocate, educator, and provider of standards, guidance, and certifications; and

**WHEREAS,** historically, the global internal audit profession promotes awareness about its value during the month of May each year; and

**WHEREAS**, the contribution of internal auditors to the success of organizations and the global economy at large deserves our recognition and commendations;

**NOW THEREFORE**, I [NAME OF OFFICIAL AND TITLE], do hereby proclaim the Month of May as International Internal Audit Awareness Month. Further, I hereby extend greetings and best wishes to all observing International Internal Audit Awareness Month, and I invite the citizens of [NAME OF LOCATION] to join me in recognizing professional internal auditors for their contribution.

**IN WITNESS THEREOF**, I have here unto set my hand this [NUMBER] day of [MONTH], in the year [YEAR]. SIGNATURE