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Dear Colleagues:

Internal auditing plays a vital role in strengthening organizations and protecting stakeholders across both the public and private sectors. By identifying and managing risk, internal auditors ensure that policies, procedures, and controls are in place and functioning as intended.

This work continues to grow in complexity and sophistication, requiring a high level of specialized knowledge, training, and education. The Institute of Internal Auditors, as a global professional organization with over 200,000 members, serves as a critical resource for the auditing profession by providing standards, guidance, and certification.

Here in Iowa, the Heartland-Iowa and Central Iowa Chapters of the Institute of Internal Auditors have demonstrated a strong commitment to your members by offering educational and networking opportunities and consistently promoting the profession. Your work helps advance accountability and integrity in organizations throughout our state.

In recognition of the essential contributions of internal auditors, I am proud to acknowledge May as Internal Audit Awareness Month. This month provides an opportunity to highlight the importance of the work you do and to celebrate the professionals who work every day to ensure transparency, accountability, and integrity in your respective workplaces.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Rob Sand". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "R" and a cursive "Sand".

Rob Sand  
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