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GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 074 – 25

To: Secretary of Samoan Affairs, CEOs, Presidents and Executive Directors of

Authorities, Directors, Agency and Office Heads

From: Acting Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Protection and Advocacy of Individuals with Developmental Disabilities (PADD)

The PADD Program is in place to assure that individuals with developmental disabilities and their families participate in the design and have access to needed community services, individualize supports, and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination, independence, productivity and inclusion in all facets of community life.

As mandated by Public Law 106-402, the PADD Program shall establish and maintain an Advisory Council which shall provide a voice for individuals with developmental disabilities and to ensure that agreed goals and priorities are achieved normally.

I, therefore, appoint the following exceptional individuals to serve a two (2) year term on the Advisory Council for the PADD program, to be retroactive on February 2025. Their diverse backgrounds and commitment to our community make them ideal candidates for this crucial role.

NAME:	Regulatory Classification	Appointment Term
Caroline Stowers	Parent	Expires 2025-2027
Dr. Herbert Boat	Service Provider (SPED)	Expires 2025-2026
Edward V. Lotulelei	Consumer	Expires 2025-2026
Iokapeta Tavita	Consumer	Expires 2025-2026
Keziah Atofau	Community Member	Expires 2025-2027
Maugaalii Tavita	Parent	Expires 2025-2026
Norma L. Smith	Community Member	Expires 2025-2027
Onolata Saleapaga	Parent	Expires 2025-2027
Ronald Philip Turituri	Family Member	Expires 2025-2026
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NAME:Regulatory ClassificationAppointment TermSala PauuParentExpires 2025-2027Sandra ScanlanService Provider (PCSN)Expires 2025-2026Tafaimamao Tua TupuolaParentExpires 2025-2027

I ask that you give them your full support as they carry out their responsibilities in enhancing the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities and their respective families.

Acting Governor

cc: Honorable Pulaali'i Nikolao Pula, Governor

Dora Ah Sue, OPAD Director