



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT**

PAGO PAGO, AMERICAN SAMOA 96799
Telephone: (684) 633-4116 | (684) 633-4121

PROCLAMATION

**“SAMOAN LANGUAGE MONTH”
March 2025**

WHEREAS, a vibrant and robust use of the Samoan language supports the survival and development of the fa 'aSamoa; and

WHEREAS, at least 90% of American Samoans speak Samoan as their first language but a Samoan Language Survey in the territory in 2001 raised concern as only 67% of those interviewed indicated that they use Samoan to converse at home; and

WHEREAS, vigilance and planning are needed as preventative measures against language loss already found at the shores of some of our Pacific neighbors

WHEREAS, the Samoan language is declared by territorial law as one of the official languages in American Samoa and is recognized as of equal importance with the English language in education, government, economic and social life of the people of American Samoa; and

WHEREAS, knowledge and use of the Samoan Language is crucial in preparing individuals for more effective participation in this society and the Samoan way of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PULUMATAALA AE AE, JR., Acting Governor of the Territory of American Samoa, do hereby proclaim March 2025 as “Samoa Language Month”. During this Samoan Language Month let us celebrate our identity, our language, and our culture to instill in our youth the importance of the preservation and protection of our customs and traditional practices.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature and the seal of my office on this 19th day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-five.


PULUMATAALA AE AE, JR.
Acting Governor



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT**

PAGO PAGO, AMERICAN SAMOA 96799
Telephone: (684) 633-4116 | (684) 633-4121

POLOA'IGA FA'ALAUATELE

**“MASINA O LE GAGANA SAMOA”
Mati 2025**

- TALUAI,** o le olaola ma le faaaoga pea o le gagana Samoa e uuna'ia ai lona tumau ma le atiina'e o le soifuaga faaSamoa; ma
- TALUAI,** o le gagana muamua e tautala ai le 90%+ o tagata Amerika Samoa o le gagana Samoa, ae peita'i ua iloa i se su'esu'ega o le Gagana Samoa i le teritori i le 2001 e na'o le 67% o i latou na fesiligia na tali mai e tautala i le gagana Samoa i o latou aiga, ma ua tupu a'e ai se popolega; ma
- TALUAI,** ua mo'omia le mataala ma ni fuafuaga e puipui ai mai le mamulu ese atu o gagana ua afaina ai o tatou tua'oi i le Pasefika
- TALUAI,** ua poloa'iina e tulafono a le teritori, o le gagana Samoa o se tasi o gagana aloa'ia lona tulaga tutusa ma le gagana Peretania i a'oa'oga, le malo, le tamaoaiga, ma fealoa'iga a tagata Amerika Samoa; ma
- TALUAI,** o le silafia ma le faaaogaina o le gagana Samoa e le mafai ona tuueseina mai le auai ma fealoa'i lelei ma tagata i lona si'omaga atoa ma le soifuaga fa'a-Samoa.

ONA O LEA, O A'U, PULUMATAALA AE AE, JR., Kovana Tofia o Amerika Samoa, e tusa ai ma le malosi'aga ua tuuina mai ia te a'u e le tulafono ma tagata o Amerika Samoa, ua ou poloa'iina le avea o Mati 2025 ma “Masina o le Gagana Samoa”. Tatou faailogaina i le Masina o le Gagana Samoa lo tatou faasinomaga, la tatou gagana, ma la tatou aganuu ina ia totō i tatou talavou le taua o le faasao ma puipui a tatou faatinoga o tu ma aga masani o la tatou agaifanua.

I LONA MOLIMAUINA, ua ou tuuina ai la'u saina ma le faailoga o lo'u tofiga i le aso leni 19 o Mati, i le tausaga o lo tatou Alii e luaafe luasefulu ma le lima.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pulumataala Ae Ae, Jr.", is written in a cursive style.

PULUMATAALA AE AE, JR.
Kovana Tofia