PROCLAMATION

2021 Click It or Ticket Mobilization

WHEREAS, the safety and security of the citizens of American Samoa and surrounding areas are vitally important; and

WHEREAS, a large percentage of our citizens regularly drive or ride in motor vehicles on our roadways; and

WHEREAS, one in five motorists (or 19 percent nationally) still fail to regularly wear their seat belts while driving or riding in a motor vehicle; and

WHEREAS, regular seat belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and to reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes; and

WHEREAS, the use of seat belts is supported by the laws of American Samoa; and

WHEREAS, May 17 through June 14, has been named the national “Click It or Ticket” law enforcement mobilization period; and

WHEREAS, across the country law enforcement officers will actively be participating in the mobilization to ensure all motor vehicle occupants are buckled up day and night, and to reduce the risk of injury and death caused in traffic crashes; and

WHEREAS, increased enforcement of seat belt laws, coupled with publicity has proven to be an effective method to increase seat belt use rates and decrease fatal crashes.

NOW THEREFORE, I, LEMANU P. S. MAUGA, Governor of American Samoa, do hereby proclaim and announce May 17 – June 14, 2021 as the “Click It or Ticket Mobilization” in American Samoa and urge all citizens to always wear seat belts when driving or riding on our roadways.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affix the Seal of my office on this 11th day of May, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-one.

LEMANU P. S. MAUGA
Governor of American Samoa