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**GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 102 – 25**

To: Secretary of Samoan Affairs, CEOs, Presidents and Executive Directors of Authorities, Directors, Agency and Office Heads

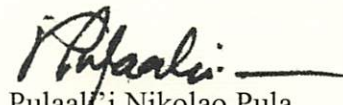
From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Flying of flags at half-staff Monday, April 21, 2025 in Honor of Pope Francis

President Donald J. Trump has ordered that the United States flag be lowered immediately as a mark of respect for the memory of His Holiness Pope Francis – a global spiritual leader whose life was dedicated to faith, compassion, and service to all of humanity.

Pursuant to the President's proclamation, it is hereby directed that the flag of the United States and American Samoa shall be flown at half-staff immediately in honor of His Holiness Pope Francis. Flags will remain at half-staff until sunset on the day of interment.

On behalf of Lieutenant Governor Pulumataala and our families, we humbly join the people of American Samoa and those around the globe in mourning the passing of Pope Francis. We extend our deepest condolences to all who are grieving this profound loss and great spiritual leader.

  
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Governor