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**GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 005 – 26**

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

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Holiday – Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2026

Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 19, 2026, will be observed as a public holiday in American Samoa. All government offices will be closed, and normal operations will be suspended for the day.

Employees of the American Samoa Government who are not required to perform essential services are excused from duty. Those whose services are required will receive holiday compensation in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

This day provides an opportunity to honor the life and enduring legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., whose leadership and unwavering commitment to equality, justice, and community service continue to inspire us all. As we observe this day, I encourage everyone to reflect on his values and consider ways we can each contribute to building a stronger, more compassionate community.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Pulaali'i", followed by a horizontal line.

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Governor