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GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 006 – 26

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

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Delegation of Authority – Department of Search and Rescue

The Director for the Department of Search and Rescue, Mr. Utumoea'au Alefosio, will be off-island January 13, 2026 to January 27, 2026. In his absence, I hereby designate Deputy Director, Dr. Akenese E. Nikolao as Acting Director until Mr. Alefosio returns.

Please give Dr. Nikolao your full support and cooperation.

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

Pulaali'i Nikolao Pula
Governor