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**United States Marine Corps Birthday**  
**November 10, 2021**  
**Message from the Governor**

On November 10, 1775, two battalions of Continental Marines capable of fighting both at sea and on shore were formed by the Second Continental Congress. Through every major conflict our Nation has seen since the Revolutionary War, Marines true to their creed have never wavered in their faithfulness and have performed their duty with the utmost courage, devotion, and determination. Therefore, it is fitting that we pause to acknowledge the Marine Corps' long tradition of service and history of being the nation's most formidable fighting force.

Today, the United States Marine Corps celebrates 246 years of warfighting excellence and dedicated service to our great Nation. We also highlight the contributions of our First Samoan Battalion, Marine Corps Reserve which served as a defensive unit on Tutuila during World War II. For decades, Samoan Marines have added to the Marine Corps illustrious history. As we celebrate the Corps' distinguished history and tradition, we pay tribute to all that the Marine Corps birthday symbolizes.

On behalf of Lieutenant Governor Talauega and our families, we celebrate the service and sacrifice of every man and woman who has earned the title of "Marine." We honor the legacy passed down through the generations and we thank the "Devil Dogs" for their enduring commitment to defend our nation with unwavering resolve.

Happy 246<sup>th</sup> Birthday United States Marine Corps and "Semper Fidelis"!

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**Aso Fanau o le Malini Koa a le Iunaite Setete**  
**Novema 10, 2021**  
**Saunoaga a le Afioga i le Kovana**

Na faavaeina ia Novema 10, 1775 e le Konekeresi Lona Lua i le Konetineta vaega ma'oti e lua a le Malini i le Konetineta e gafatia ona faitaua i le sami ma le eleele. Na amata mai ai i le Taua o le Sa'olotoga ma taua iloga uma na aafia ai lo tatou Malo o faamaoni le Malini i la latou ta'utinoga ma le lē vaivai. Sa faatino o latou tiute ma le loto tele silisili, le tuutōina atu o le soifua, faatasi ma le lotomau. Ua tatau ai ma onomea ona se'i o tatou to'a ane ma faailo le tautua toto ua iloga ai le Malini Koa, atoa ma lona talafaasolopito o le vaega e muā'atau malosi e lē solomuli.

O le aso nei e faailogaina ai e le Malini Koa le 246 tausaga o lona faiva o tau ma le tautua tuutōina i lo tatou Malo Tele. Matou te fa'afetai fo'i le sao o Fitafita Samoa sa avea ma vaega puipui i Tutuila i le taimi o le Taua Lona Lua a le Lalolagi. Mo le tele o tausaga, ua fa'aopoopoina tala o latou tautua iloga, i le tala fa'asolopito o Malini.

O lo tatou faamanatuina o le talaaga maoa'e o le Malini ma lana aga masani, o lo tatou faaeaea lena i tulaga uma e atagia i lana tautua toto.

Matou te valaau atu ma le Afioga i le Kovana Lutena Talauega ma o ma aiga, tatou faailoga ma le lagona le tautua faaositulaga a alii ma tama'ita'i ta'ito'atasi ua faaee i ai le suafa "Malini." Se'i o tatou manatu faaaloalo faatasi i ona tala tuufaasolo i augatupulaga ma faafetaia le soifua tuutōina o "Devil Dogs" e puipui lo latou malo.

Manuia le Aso Fanau 246 Malini Koa o le Iunaite Setete ma ia "Semper Fidelis"!

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