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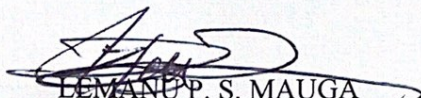
Today, the Honorable President Joseph Biden signed into law June 19th as an official Federal Holiday. Saturday, June 19, 2021 will be observed as a holiday in American Samoa on **Friday, June 18, 2021**. All government offices will be closed and normal activities will be suspended on that day.

Employees of the American Samoa Government who are not required to perform essential services shall be excused from their duties. Employees required to perform duty on that day will receive holiday wages in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Juneteenth Independence Day is a time to commemorate the end of slavery in the United States. I encourage you all to take time this weekend to remember our dark past and embrace the hope and progress that the present has brought us. We also honor all those who have died in pursuit of a more perfect union.

Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.

Happy Juneteenth Independence Day!


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