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GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 075 – 26

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

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: FY 2026 Second Quarter Revenue Update and Fiscal Management Measures

As we concluded the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2026, I would like to update you on the Territory's financial performance and outline several prudent management measures to ensure continued fiscal stability for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Year-to-date revenues through the second quarter are currently tracking approximately 13.2 percent below budget projections. While we remain committed to maintaining essential government services and supporting our community, this shortfall requires us to exercise additional caution and discipline in managing expenditures moving forward.

Accordingly, the Administration is requesting the cooperation and support of all departments, agencies, and authorities in implementing the following measures **effective immediately**:

- **Hiring Controls**
Departments are asked to temporarily limit new hiring activities. Exceptions may be considered for positions directly tied to revenue generation, public safety, healthcare, or other essential operational needs.
- **Travel Limitation**
Non-essential travel should be deferred at this time. Any travel requests require prior approval through the Office of the Governor. Consideration will continue for travel that is fully grant-funded, including associated stipends. Please use virtual participation as a substitute.
- **Overtime Management**
Agencies are encouraged to closely monitor and minimize overtime usage whenever operationally feasible. Exceptions may be made for emergency services or critical operational requirements.

- **Power and Fuel Conservation**

All departments and agencies are requested to actively conserve power and fuel consumption whenever possible. This includes ensuring that lights, air conditioning units, office equipment, and government vehicles are turned off or not in use when rooms, offices, or facilities are unoccupied and government vehicles are not used for personal use. Agencies are encouraged to implement practical conservation measures to help reduce operational costs territory-wide.

These measures are intended to help preserve financial flexibility while allowing the Administration to continue focusing on revenue enhancement efforts, operational efficiencies, and essential government priorities.

The Administration will also continue working collaboratively with the other branches of government to address these fiscal challenges, particularly upon the resumption of the Fono session in July. Through cooperation, transparency, and shared responsibility, we can collectively position the Territory for greater long-term financial stability.

I appreciate the continued partnership, professionalism, and dedication demonstrated by all agencies during this period. Through cooperation and responsible stewardship, we will continue working together to maintain the financial stability of the American Samoa Government and the services our people rely upon.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to serving the people of American Samoa.

Respectfully,



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Governor