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**PROCLAMATION
WORLD POPULATION DAY**

Whereas, in observance of World Population Day, on July 11th, the territory of American Samoa will join nations around the world to raise awareness of the impact population dynamics have on our everyday lives; and,

Whereas, in island settings such as ours the impact of population pressure needs to be managed effectively as it affects our environment, economic development, and ability to provide needed social services; and,

Whereas, American Samoa recognizes that human dignity requires that we pursue economic sustainability and a higher standard of living; and,

Whereas, American Samoa commemorates and renews its commitment to human dignity and the right of all people to live in freedom from fear and want, by supporting efforts to achieve the United Nations Millennium Development Goals to eliminate poverty, and to improve the health of people and our planet; and,

Whereas, the United States remains the only industrialized nation without a formalized population policy and yet remains the third most populous nation in the world, with a lifestyle that has one of the highest impacts on our shared global environment; and,

Whereas, the government of American Samoa strongly commits itself to addressing population concerns by being the only United States state or territory to have established a Population Commission and a local population policy; and,

Whereas, we are calling on other local and national leaders to recognize and support this significant day and examine the role that population dynamics play in our lives.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LOLO M. MOLIGA, Governor of American Samoa, do hereby proclaim July 11, 2015, World Population Day in American Samoa, and urge all citizens to take notice of this day and the impacts that population dynamics have on our islands.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature and the seal of my office on this 29th day of June, in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen.

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