



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT**

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GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 343 – 23

To: Distribution List

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Flying of flags at half-staff in Honor of Associate Justice Sandra Day O' Connor

Pursuant to the Proclamation by the President of the United States, the flag of the United States and flag of American Samoa shall be flown at half-staff on December 19, 2023 as a mark of respect for the memory and longstanding service of Sandra Day O'Connor, retired Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, who passed away on December 1, 2023, at the age of 93.

Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor was an American icon, her legacy is marked by her historic appointment as the first female Supreme Court Justice of the United States in 1981. Throughout her distinguished career, she contributed to shaping the nation's legal landscape with her pragmatic approach, dedication to judicial independence, and advocacy for women's rights, leaving a lasting impact on the judiciary and inspiring future generations.

As we reflect on her life and service to our Nation, let us take a moment to express gratitude for all the great leaders who have played pivotal roles in shaping our democracy.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Mauga", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

LEMANU P. S. MAUGA
Governor