

PROCLAMATION

"WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH"

- WHEREAS, March 2023, has been designated as "Women's History Month"; and
- WHEREAS, the theme for Women's History Month is "Celebrating Women Who Tell Stories."

 This theme honors and recognizes the important role that women have played in storytelling throughout history; and
- WHEREAS, countless women have used their voice and creativity to tell stories that educate, inspire, and entertain audiences around the world. From oral traditions to written works, women have contributed significantly to the world of storytelling, and this year's theme is a celebration of their achievements; and
- WHEREAS, women from every community have dedicated their lives and talents to creating art, seeking the truth, and reflecting the human condition decade after decade; and
- WHEREAS, our experiences have been captured by a wide variety of artists and teachers. These include authors, songwriters, scholars, playwrights, performers, mothers and grandmothers throughout time; and
- WHEREAS, women in American Samoa's history have long been instrumental in passing on our heritage in word and in print to communicate the lessons of those who came before us. Women's stories, and the larger human story, expand our understanding and strengthen our connections with each other.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LEMANU P. S. MAUGA, Governor of American Samoa, proclaim by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws and the people of American Samoa, do hereby proclaim MARCH 2023 as "Women's History Month" in American Samoa. I urge the people of American Samoa to observe Women's History Month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities, and to remember throughout the year the contributions of courageous women who have made our Nation strong.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affixed my signature and Seal of my office on this 6th day of MARCH, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-three.

LEMANUP. S. MAUGA

Governor