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**GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 177-21**

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

From: Governor of American Samoa

Subject: Appointment of Territorial Librarian

In accordance with A.S.C.A. § 17.0305, the Territorial Librarian is appointed by the Governor. Upon consideration of the Feleti Barstow Public Library Board's recommendation, Emma Solaita-Malele is hereby appointed as the Territorial Librarian. Subject to government employee laws at A.S.C.A. § 7.0101 and rules and procedures of the Board, the Territorial Librarian serves at the pleasure of the Board.

Ms. Solaita-Malele has a master's degree in Library and Information Science with extensive years of library services, including library directorship. She has a strong background in education, literacy, and library services. She has served in our Department of Education, American Samoa Community College, local schools, and Read to Me Samoa, a non-governmental non-profit literacy program.

Please welcome Ms. Solaita-Malele to her new position and offer your support as she strives to further the mission and goals of our public library.

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