



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT**

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**GENERAL MEMORANDUM NO. 148 – 23**

To: Distribution List  
From: Governor of American Samoa  
Subject: Holiday- Juneteenth Independence Day 2023

Juneteenth Independence Day, **Monday, June 19, 2023** will be observed as a holiday in American Samoa. All government offices will be closed and normal activities will be suspended on that day.

Employees of the American Samoa Government who are not required to perform essential services shall be excused from their duties. Employees required to perform duty on that day will receive holiday wages in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Juneteenth Independence Day is a time to commemorate the end of slavery in the United States. I encourage you all to take time this weekend to remember our dark past and embrace the hope and progress that the present has brought us. We also honor all those who have died in pursuit of a more perfect union. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend.

LEMANU P. S. MAUGA  
Governor