

**39TH LEGISLATURE
1ST REGULAR SESSION**

(ADMIN/BY REQ)

**S.R. NO. 39-03
IN THE SENATE**

27 JANUARY 2025

INTRODUCED BY: Sen. Tualo Manaiia Fruean, D-6

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON:

SUBJECT:

CONFIRMATION—DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND WOMEN’S AFFAIRS

SUMMARY:

This resolution confirms the Governor’s nomination of Mr. Tapumanaia Galu Satele, Jr. as Director of the Department of Youth and Women’s Affairs.

OWN VOTE			LEGISLATIVE VOTE		
YES	NO		YES	NO	DATE
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4 “A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR’S NOMINATION
5 OF MR. TAPUMANAI A GALU SATELE, JR. AS DIRECTOR FOR THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND WOMEN’S AFFAIRS.”

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8 WHEREAS, by letter dated January 16, 2025, to Honorable Tulaolo Manaia E.
9 Fruean, President of the Senate, Governor Pulaali’i Nikolao Pula,
10 submitted the name of Mr. Tapumanaia Galu Satele, Jr. to the
11 Legislature, pursuant to 4.0112 ASCA, for confirmation as Director of
12 the Department of Youth and Women’s Affairs; and

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14 WHEREAS, in his letter the Governor stated in part:

15 “...I hereby submit my appointment of Mr. Tapumanaia Galu Satele,
16 Jr. as Director of the Youth & Women’s Affairs

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18 I respectfully request that you and your colleagues review his
19 nomination and confirm him as Director of the Youth & Women’s
20 Affairs.”

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22 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE
23 TERRITORY OF AMERICAN SAMOA:

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25 THAT, the nomination of Mr. Tapumanaia Galu Satele, Jr. as Director of the
26 Department of Youth and Women’s Affairs is confirmed; and

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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to
29 transmit this resolution to the Honorable Pulaali’i Nikolao Pula, Governor of
30 American Samoa; and a copy to Mr. Tapumanaia Galu Satele, Jr.

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FONO TELE MUAMUA

(TALOSAGA/KOVANA)

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I LE MAOTA MAUALUGA

27 IANUARI 2025

FA'AULUFALEINA E: Senatoa Tuoalo M. Fruean, Itumalo - 6

TU'UINA ATU I LE KOMITI:

MATA'UPU:

FAAMAONIGA— FAATONU, MATAGALUEGA O TINA MA TUPULAGA TALAVOU
MA AGAFESOOTAI

'OTO'OTOGA:

O leni iugafono e faamaonia ai le tofiga a le Kovana o le Susuga ia Tapumanaia Galu Satele, Jr e avea ma Faatonu o le Matagaluega o Tina ma Tupula Talavou ma Aga Fesootai.

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2 FAAULUFALEINA E:



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4 “O SE IUGAFONO A LE MAOTA MAUALUGA E FAAMAONIA AI LE
5 TOFIGA A LE KOVANA O LE SUSUGA IA TAPUMANAI A GALU SATELE,
6 JR. E AVEA MA FAATONU O LE MATAGALUEGA O TINA MA
7 TUPULAGA TALAVOU MA AGA FESOOTAI”.

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9 TALUAI, i lana tusi ia Ianuari 16, 2025, i le afioga ia Tualo Manai a Fruean,
10 Peresetene o le Maota Mau aluga, na faaoo atu ai e le afioga i le
11 Kovana, Pulaali'i Nikolao Pula, le suafa o le Susuga ia Tapumanaia
12 Galu Satele, Jr i le Fonofaitulafono, e tusa ma le TTAS 4.0112, mo
13 le faamaoniga e avea ma Faatonu o le Matagaluega o Tina ma
14 Tupulaga Talavou ma Aga Feesootai; ma

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16 TALUAI, i se vaega o lana tusi, na faapea mai ai le afioga i le Kovana:

17 “...ua ou faaoo atu lau tofiga le Susuga ia Tapumanaia Galu Satele e
18 avea ma Faatonu mo le Matagaluega o Tina ma Tupulaga ma Aga
19 Fesootai.

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21 Ou te fautuaina ma le fa'aaloalo lau afioga ma le maota ina ia iloilo
22 ma faamaonia le tofiga o le Susuga ia Tapumanaia Galu Satele, Jr e
23 avea ma Faatonu o Tina ma Tupulaga ma Aga Fesootai.”

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25 O LENEI, O LE MEA LEA, IA FAAIUGAFONOINA AI E LE MAOTA
26 MAUALUGA O LE TERITORI O AMERIKA SAMOA:

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28 E FAAPEA, ua faamaonia nei le tofiga o le Susuga ia Tapumanaia Galu Saetele, Jr
29 e avea ma Faatonu o le Matagaluega o Tina ma Tupulaga Ma Aga Fesootai; ma

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1 IA TOE FAAIUGAFONOINA FOI, e faapea e talosaga le Failautusi o le Maota
2 Maualuga, e faaoo atu lenei iugafono i le Afioga ia Pulaali'i Nikolao Pula, Kovana
3 o Amerika Samoa; ma se kopi i le Susuga ia Tapumanaia Galu Satele, Jr.

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Tapumanaia Galu Satele, Jr.

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Education:	June 1998-May 1999 University of Hawaii at Manoa Master in Education Administration (MEd)	Honolulu, HI
	September 1986-May 1989 Eastern Oregon State College Bachelor of Science in General Studies (B.S.)	Lagrande, OR
	August 1979-June 1983 Leone High School High School Diploma	Pago Pago, AS
	Pava'ia'i Elementary/Fia Iloa Elementary	Pago Pago, AS

Professional Experience:

December 2015-Present American Samoa Government Pago Pago, AS
DEPUTY DIRECTOR-OFFICE OF PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY

- Assisted the Director with daily operations of the OPAD office.
- Worked with Office Manager to maintain daily office operations and provide assistance as needed.
- Provided support and assistance to program directors in their deliverables and presentations to departments, organizations, and the private sector who require an understanding of ADA law compliance.
- Worked with Sr. Finance Officer to ensure all issues about financial grants, payroll, and invoices were processed and followed up to ensure grants were updated, vendor invoices were paid, and staff payroll was complete.
- Created and distributed Public Relations awareness for OPAD Programs and Services to media outlets to the public through media outlets, including newspapers, television, and the radio.
- Resolved internal issues with staff and managed the disciplinary process as needed.
- Coordinated office and compound maintenance as needed.
- Established staff development training regularly to update staff on the most current ADA and compliance laws issues.
- Developed morale-lifting activities to keep the staff working together and creating harmony in the workplace.
- Writing reports necessary to provide insight to the office's operations and its progress, as well as, quarterly reports for grant submissions to be reimbursed.

January 2012-December 2015 American Samoa Government Pago Pago, AS
DEPUTY DIRECTOR - DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH & WOMEN

- Assists the Director in the daily operations of the DYWA
- Created, planned, organized, and implemented developmental skills programs (sewing, cooking, fabric printing, flower arrangement, hospitality, talent development...etc.) for youth & women
- Trained and taught youth & women to be self-reliant and independent through workshops and programs targeting various themes and issues relevant to youth and women.
- Created partnerships with other public, private, and faith-based government agencies and organizations to deal with youth and women.
- Supported other agencies with their programs that focused on youth and women
- Designed and created two popular LIVE TV local youth singing and dancing competitions similar to "The Voice" and America's Best Dance Crew!" It was called "Le Leo o Amerika Samoa" and "American Samoa's Best Dance Crew, and its goal was to draw out local talents and develop these youth talents on stage.
- Worked closely with Faith-based and village youth groups in presenting workshops and conference-style training to deal with youth issues that included drugs and alcohol, teenage pregnancy, bullying, truancy, fighting...etc.
- Created training for youth through an apprenticeship program in skilled labor jobs and opportunities.
- Supported and created partnerships with the Tri-Agency Disability Awareness Programs
- I worked on all other duties and responsibilities as needed in DYWA.

January 2008-2012 American Samoa Legislature Pago Pago, AS
REPRESENTATIVE TUALAUTA COUNTY-DISTRICT #15

- Introduced proactive bills and resolutions to benefit the Tualauta District
- Proposed revised amendments to current outdated laws
- Served as Chairman of the Public Works/Education House Committees
- Represented the Fono to the Association of Pacific Island Legislators
- Supported the introduction of the Ban on Smoking and Plastic Bags
- Supported and worked closely with district schools to address resource issues
- Worked closely with community leaders to address various district needs
- Attended significant government functions and private events
- Tended to specific duties of the legislature

January 2007-December 2007 ASCC Community College Pago Pago, AS
ACADEMIC COUNSELOR - STUDENT SERVICES

- Provided registration assistance for new and continuing students
- Conducted degree evaluations for students and monitored progress toward degree completion
- Mediator between students and instructors

- Provided academic support for students on probation and those provisionally accepted
- Created academic plans for new students and those planning to pursue degrees off-island
- Counseled and conducted community service projects for students referred for disciplinary action

Nov. 2005-Sept. 2006 ASCC Community College Pago Pago, AS
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

- Reported directly to the Director of Administrative Services.
- Assessed, evaluated, and made recommendations for the development of unit supervisors and employees of Administrative Services.
- Created Inventory System for Custodial and Maintenance Units.
- Implemented a security radio code communication procedure for the security unit.
- Developed a Groundskeeping schedule to maintain ASCC grounds evenly.
- Assisted in completing the new faculty bathroom project, handicap wheelchair ramp, T&I bathroom remodeling, reroofing of auditorium project, and others.
- Conducted periodic assessments and evaluations of units for ASCC Presidential weekly and quarterly reports.

July 2004-Oct. 2005 Remington College Honolulu Pago Pago, AS
ACADEMIC DEAN/HIGH SCHOOL RECRUITER (LOCAL)

- Recruited High School Graduates.
- Increased recruiting efforts by 80% in American Samoa.
- Recruited over 150+ students since 2002 and graduated over 80%.
- I created a PowerPoint presentation for Remington College High School that Remington College recruiters now use as a training aid.
- Conducted assessment tests for entrance into Remington.
- Conducted home visits to speak with parents and explain programs at Remington.
- Evaluated transcripts for credit transfer.
- Designed recruitment ads for local newspapers and radio spots.
- Assisted in filling out financial aid forms.
- Assisted in securing airfares and housing for students in Honolulu.
- Supervised three employees and maintained office operations.

May 2002-July 2004 Remington College Honolulu Pago Pago, AS
ASSISTANT ACADEMIC DEAN/INTERNATIONAL RECRUITING

- Proposed and got approval to open a local office for Remington College to meet the needs of the Samoan students and parents locally.
- Conducted interviews with students to gain acceptance into Remington.
- Conducted interviews with parents to explain the enrollment process and financial aid.
- Proposed and received approval for online bachelor of Science programs in Criminal Justice and Operations Management to be offered in American Samoa.

- Proposed and received approval for an internet center in our office with six computers so our online students can access their online courses.
- Defended the school accreditation status with ASG Human Resources and got the Governor to write a letter approving our graduates to work in ASG.
- Designed recruiting and marketing ads for Remington College.
- Started a tutoring program for high school seniors using our internet center.
- Created a local Career Service Network to find Remington graduates jobs when they return to Samoa.

April 2001-May 2002 Education America Honolulu Honolulu, HI
EVENING COORDINATOR

- Liaison between 32 evening instructors and the campus President regarding the evening programs.
- Developed and coordinated a tutoring program for ESL students, including Samoa, Filipino, Oriental, and even local Hawaiians, to find help in their classes.
- Conducted fire drills and safety workshops for instructors and students every 4 months.
- Member of the "Vocational Development Board" that creates the requirements for students who would qualify for the externship program with local companies in Honolulu.

April 2000-April 2001 Education America Honolulu Honolulu, HI
STUDENT COUNSELOR/COLLEGE INSTRUCTOR

- Assigned to maintaining discipline with students, mainly Samoans and local Hawaiians.
- Conducted disciplinary sessions with students and recommended disciplinary action to the Academic Dean.
- Created a Samoan host club (EASI) to assist in the transition of local Samoan students to Hawaii and college campuses.
- Created a work-study program mainly to help Samoan students find jobs while in school.
- Taught general studies courses, mainly in English, human relations, speech, psychology, and math.

Oct. 1999-April 2000 Education America Honolulu Honolulu, HI
COLLEGE ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR (RECRUITER)

- Recruit students to Education America.
- Increased Samoan student enrollments by 40%.
- Presented school information at College Fairs and Network events.
- Developed television and radio spots on Olelo and Radio Samoa to recruit Samoan students to Education America.
- Suggested and approved a separate orientation for students and parents from American Samoa in the Samoan language.

Additional Accomplishments:

- Taught High School English, US/AS Government, US History, Speech, Drama, Leone High School American Samoa.
- Taught Mainstream and Remedial English at Tafuna High School
- Taught Elementary School Music & P.E. in Rota, CNMI.
- Taught High School ESL at Pohnpei's only Public Secondary School
- Graduate Assistant at UH Manoa in the Special Education Division.

Selected Community Accomplishments:

- Organized an Island-Wide Toy Drive to provide toys for the children of 800+ laid off workers of Samoa Tuna in December of 2016
- Organized an Island-Wide canned food drive that provided care packages for 1,850 furloughed workers of StarKist Samoa in November of 2017
- Community advocate for youth development, care for people with disabilities, Cancer Foundation Board Member, Special Olympics Board Member
- President and Co-Founder of Non-Profit Youth Organization "Affording Local Opportunities For Aspirations" (A.L.O.F.A.)
- Original Founding Member for the Non-Profit Organization "Agency for Better Living Endeavors" (ABLE)
- Former Director Of Public Affairs for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in American Samoa
- Former 1st Counselor to the Bishop of Tafuna 2nd Ward, Pago Central Stake
- Former Single Young Adults Activities Advisor, Pago Central Stake
- Former President of the (600+) Young Men Program for Pago Central Stake
- Former Boy Scout Master for Pago Central Stake

Summary of Skills, Abilities and Knowledge:**Skills:**

- Superior managerial, marketing, and communication skills
- Excellent Samoan/English written and verbal skills
- Exceptional analytical and problem-solving skills
- Excellent Media (TV, Newspaper and Radio) Relations Representative

Abilities:

- Ability to present various developmental skills concepts to individuals and groups to encourage self-reliance and independence.
- Ability to design and coordinate Educational Developmental Programs
- Ability to communicate effectively and interact with administration leadership, community (villages), and church organizations.

Knowledge:

- Knowledge of regulations, policies, and procedures for most offices of ASG
- Knowledge of office administration management procedures and processes for government offices
- Great understanding of the cultural and political environment of ASG (American Samoa Government)

OBJECTIVE: I am looking to contribute my leadership qualities to the new administration as a Director or other to help in any capacity using my excellent management experience and knowledge in ASG operations.

References:

1. Matautu Dr, Peter Tinitali - 731-2196
2. Taimalelagi Dr Claire Poumele - 733-3076
3. Honorable Representative Fagaima Larry Sanitoa - 258-3400