

**39TH LEGISLATURE  
1ST REGULAR SESSION**

**(ADMIN/BY REQ)**

**S.R. NO. 39-24  
IN THE SENATE**

11 FEBRUARY 2025

INTRODUCED BY: Sen. Tualo Manaia E. Fruean, D-6

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON:

**SUBJECT:**

CONFIRMATION—DIRECTOR, TERRITORIAL ENERGY OFFICE

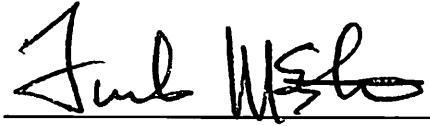
**SUMMARY:**

This resolution confirms the Governor’s appointment of Mr. Sione L. Kava as Director of the Territorial Energy Office (TEO).

| OWN VOTE                 |                          |                              | LEGISLATIVE VOTE |    |      |
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1 S.R. NO. 39-24

2 INTRODUCED BY:



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4 “A SENATE RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE GOVERNOR’S  
5 NOMINATION OF MR. SIONE L. KAVA AS DIRECTOR OF THE  
6 TERRITORIAL ENERGY OFFICE.”

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8 WHEREAS, by letter dated February 7, 2025 to the Honorable Tualo Manaia E.  
9 Fruean, President of the Senate, Governor Pulaali’i Nikolao Pula,  
10 submitted the name of Mr. Sione L. Kava to the Legislature,  
11 pursuant to sections 4.0111(b) and 4.0112(a)(f) A.S.C.A., for  
12 confirmation as Director of the Territorial Energy Office; and

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

15 “...I hereby submit my appointment of Mr. Sione L. Kava as  
16 Director of the Territorial Energy Office.

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18 I respectfully request that you and your colleagues review his  
19 nomination and confirm him as Director of the Territorial Energy  
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. Sione L. Kava, as Director of the Territorial Energy  
26 Office is hereby 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. Sione L. Kava.

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NOFOA'IGA TOLUSEFULU-FITU  
FONO TELE MUAMUA

(TALOSAGA/KOVANA)

**IMM NU. 39-24**  
**I LE MAOTA MAUALUGA**

11 FEPUARI 2025

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

TU'UINA ATU I LE KOMITI:

**MATA'UPU:**

FAAMAONIGA—FAATONUSILI, OFISA O LE ENETIA

**'OTO'OTOGA:**

O lenei iugafono e faamaonia ai le tofiga a le afioga i le Kovana o Sione L. Kava e fai ma Faatonusili o le Ofisa o le Enetia.

| LANA PALOTA MONI         |                          |                               | PALOTAGA A FAIPULE |      |     |
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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 SIONE L. KAVA E AVEA MA FAATONUSILI O  
6 LE OFISA O LE ENETIA.”

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8 TALUAI, i lana tusi ia February 7, 2025, i le afioga ia Tualo Manaia Fruean,  
9 Peresetene o le Maota Maualuga, na faaoo atu ai e le afioga i le  
10 Kovana, Pulaali'i Nikolao Pula, le suafa o Sione L. Kava i le  
11 Fonofaitulafono, e tusa ma le T.T.A.S 4.0111(e) ma le 4.0112(a)(f),  
12 ina ia faamaonia e fai ma faatonu o le Ofisa o le Enetia; ma

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

15 “...ua ou faaoo atu la'u tofiga o Sione L. Kava e fai o ia ma  
16 Faatonusili o le Ofisa o le Enetia.

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18 Ou te fautuaina ma le fa'aaloalo lau Afioga ma le Maota ina ia iloilo  
19 ma faamaonia o ia e avea ma Faatonusili o le Ofisa o le Enetia.”

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

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25 E FAAPEA, ua faamaonia nei le tofiga o Sione L. Kava e avea ma Faatonusili o le  
26 Ofisa o le Enetia; ma

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28 IA TOE FAAIUGAFONOINA FOI, e faapea e talosaga le Failautusi o le Maota  
29 Maualuga e faaoo atu lenei iugafono i le Afioga ia Pulaali'i Nikolao Pula, Kovana  
30 o Amerika Samoa; ma se kopi ia Sione L. Kava.

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**(Secretary)**

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**(Treasurer)**  
**Reverent Foketi Paea**  
**(Member)**

**December 4, 2024**

**To: Ms. Alvina Lutu**

**From: Sione L. Kava**

**Subject: Resume**

**RE: APPOINTED POSITION OPENINGS**

**Dear Ms. Alvina Lutu:**

**As per the reference, I am submitting my resume to be considered for the ODAPM and or Territorial Energy Office (TEO) Director Position.**

**Moreover, I'll honored to be considered wherever the administration think I can be of some assistance.**

**Thank you for your kind consideration and support.**

**I'll be available for interviews at your convenience, and I stand ready to submit more or other information that may be requested and required.**

**Sincerely and Respectfully Submitted.**

**CAREER OPPORTUNITY****OBJECTIVE**

Seeking an opportunity to apply my skills in a challenging environment where my abilities will be utilized effectively for mutual benefit. Ideally, the position will allow for professional growth and advancement. Desire a clear opportunity to assume increasing responsibilities.

**SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

Possess solid diplomatic orientation with demonstrated confidence and competence in project management, personnel management, and general military tactics and strategy resulting from a combination of formal education and several years of responsible experience in these and other areas. Broadly applicable skills and achievements include:

- \* Quick to Learn and Task Oriented
- \* Ability to Act in High-Stress Situations
- \* Broad Management and Leadership Experience
- \* Strong Interpersonal skills, Initiative, and Academic Background
- \* Manpower Organization and Contingency Planning
- \* Effective Project Coordination and Implementation
- \* Versatility, Adaptability
- \* High Moral and Professional Standards
- \* Development and Implementation of Policies and Procedures
- \* High Degree of Judgments and Integrity

Continue to demonstrate technical, organizational, and systematic problem-solving skills with strong leadership abilities. Currently seeking a position in which my abilities and experience can be fully utilized in contributing to the increase efficiency and benefits of a dynamic organization.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **MILITARY EXPERIENCE** (United States Marine Corps, 1982-1992)

#### **DETACHMENT COMMANDER -- CSSD-13, Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm, Southwest Asia**

As a Captain, I commanded an 85-man company during the ground assault, Liberation of Kuwait. As the Advance Team Commander, we cleared avenues of approaches for infantry Combat Elements that followed. After securing my company's objectives, I directed the operation and managements of ammunition, fuel, medical and food supply dump in a helicopter resupply support of other Task Forces. After cancellation of offensive operation, I commanded Kuwait and US Marine commandos in a search and destroy mission in Kuwait City. Later assisted with the relocation of the Kurt's refugees in Northern Iraq. (1990-1991)

#### **INTELLIGENCE OFFICER/COMPANY COMMANDER -- Co. B (REIN) 4TH LSB/Lathrop, CA.**

Responsible for all intelligence requirements of the company, training and maintaining combat readiness status of the Headquarter and Service Company while providing administration, logistical and operational support to the company. (1989-1991)

#### **COMPANY COMMANDER -- Co. F/2MARDIV, Salt Lake City, Utah.**

Responsible for the combat readiness of an Infantry Company. To include but limited to Intelligent, Administration, Logistics, Training and Operation. (1987-1989)

#### **COMPANY EXECUTIVE OFFICER -- 1st. Combat Engineer Battalion, Camp Pendleton, San Diego CA.**

Served as Company Administrator, drafting all correspondence for Company Commander and maintaining all records. Additionally responsible for monitoring all company training including developing and implementing an effective training schedule. Personally, took command during company commander's absence. (1986-1987)

**BATTALION ASSISTANT LOGISTIC OFFICER -- 1st. Combat Engineer Battalion, Camp Pendleton, San Diego CA.**

In this capacity, I was responsible for all the logistical requirements in supporting military training of 600 personnel in the battalion. During the Logistic Officer's absence, I personally took command. Additionally served as Battalion's Safety Officer, Armory/Ordinance Officer, Embarkation Officer, Guard Officer, and Facility Maintenance Officer. (1985 - 1986)

**SECTION COMMANDER -- Wing Engineer Squadron - 17/Okinawa, Japan**

As a Lieutenant, I trained and supervised a 73-man section as well as the maintenance of thousands of dollars worth of military hardware. Served as a liaison officer during a military deployment to Korea, Thailand, The Philippines and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. During operation Team Spirit in Korea, directed 30 Marines in setting up a 2000-man camp to include all the convenience of modern infrastructure. Participated in amphibious landing in Korea. Military observer and instructor in Lebanon, and Panama. (1984-1985)

**COMBAT ENGINEER OFFICER -- Camp Lejeune/Jacksonville, North Carolina**

Intensive school in general military construction, setting up military camps to support military operation to include operation sites for both helicopters and fighter jets. Intensive course in demolition and use of explosives and mines both in offensive and defensive combat operations. Specialized training in the use of MCO M60E machine guns, M16A2 assault rifle and .45-caliber pistol in conjunction with intensive self-defense, (hand to hand combat), training enabling graduates to provide personal bodyguard and embassy duty guard. Upon graduation, I received the highest award of "Expert" both in pistol and rifle. Self defense equivalent to a black belt in contact karate. (1983-1984)

**MARINE CORPS OFFICER BASIC SCHOOL -- Marine Corps Base/Quantico, VA.**

Intensive courses in Infantry tactics, leadership, personnel management, human

relations, international relations, written and oral communication techniques and intensive physical training and evaluation. Upon graduation, received a commission as an officer in the United States Marine Corps. (1983-1984)

**CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND (1973- 2023)**

**PETROLEUM OFFICER -- American Samoa Government/Pago Pago, AS.**

Responsible for assuring that the Territory of American Samoa has a uninterrupted reliable supply of uniform high quality petroleum products at a reasonable cost and that the American Samoa Petroleum Storage Facilities are properly maintained and improved to meet the current and future needs of the Territory and to comply with applicable environmental rules regulations.

Federally mandated State On Scene Coordinator (SOSC) Oil Spill Response.  
Federally mandated Facility Safety Officer (FSO), ASG Petroleum Storage Facilities

Qualified Individual (QI), Petroleum related incident

Certification: TWIC, HAZWOPER Response.  
(1993-Present)

**MANAGER**-Territorial Emergency Management Coordinating Office (TEMCO), American Samoa Government AS.

Responsible for conceptualizations, writing and implementing the Governor of American Samoa's Disaster Plan to minimize loss of life, reduce property damage, restore essential public services, expedite the recovery and rehabilitation of affected individuals, and assure the continuance of civil government after a natural or man-made disaster. (1996-2000)

**STATE HAZARD MITIGATION/PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OFFICER -- American Samoa Government, AS**

Established the American Disaster Recovery Office to manage over \$50 million worth of recovery projects as a result of Hurricane Val of 1991. Responsible for locating and organizing an office, hiring of personnel, operation budget, and direct negotiation with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) that provides the funding. (1994-1996)

**EDUCATION:**

Successfully completed and passed my first year.  
Lincoln School of Law, Sacramento, CA.

BA, Social Welfare with emphasis in Criminal Correctional process and system. California State University - Sacramento, CA

MA, International Affairs with emphasis in global politics and multinational economics. California State University - Sacramento, CA

Passed New Zealand University Entrance Exam.  
Major subject: Math, English, Biology, Accounting, and Physics.  
Tonga High School - Nuku'alofa, TONGA

**DECORATIONS, MEDALS AND AWARD AUTHORIZED**

Combat Action Medal, Sea Deployment Ribbon with Stars, Navy Achievement Medal, Southwest Asia Medal, National Defense Medal with Star, Meritorious Unit Citations, Certificate of Appreciation, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Unit Citation Medal, United Nation Medal.

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION**

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**Chairman. Pacific Petroleum Task Force (PPTF), SPC; Suva, Fiji:**

**Member of the PACIFIC ENERGY ADVISORY GROUP, SPC, Fiji.**

**Member THE ENERGY AND TRANSPORT MINISTERS, SPC, Fiji.**

**American Samoa First Response Team: Bomb Squad, Anti-Terrorist Team, Riot Control Team, Oil Spill First Response Team.**

**President, Tongan Community of American Samoa**

**Governor's Liaison Officer to Tonga.**

**REFERENCES:**

**Wallon Young, Executive Director, American Samoa Power Authority, Pago Pago American Samoa 96799; Office Phone # 984-699-1234**

**Nick King, Country Manager, Pacific Energy - Southwest Pacific, Pago Pago American Samoa 96799. Office Phone #: 684-633-4101.**

**Mr. William Sword. ASPA Pago Pago American Samoa 96799. 699-1234**