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AN ORDER ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S ECONOMIC ADVISORY COUNCIL, PROVIDING FOR ITS PURPOSE, VISION, RESPONSIBILITIES, DURATION, AND MEMBERSHIP, AMONG OTHERS.

Section 1. Purpose

The Governor's Economic Advisory Council ("Council") is intended to bring a closer collaboration between the private sector and government in economic development. Driven by the rapidly changing, highly competitive global economy it is critical for both sectors to work towards aligning public and private community resources to ensure the design and execution of effective, long term economic policies for the Territory. The Council will be comprised of knowledgeable participants from both the government and the private sector. The Council will advise the Governor on current and long-term economic policy programs.

Section 2. Vision

The vision of the council is to align government and private sectors in areas that will contribute to a healthy and strong economy. This will aid government in understanding, designing, and implementing economic development programs and policies that will meet American Samoa's unique circumstances. These policies aim to improve the quality of life of the people of American Samoa through a market driven economy that is dynamic, enterprising, self-sustaining, and responsible to changes and fluctuations in the global economy. Moreover, economic development initiatives will be respectful of the explicit desire of the American Samoan people as well as the United States Government to preserve the culture and language of the Samoan people to the greatest extent possible.

Section 3. Responsibility

Areas of Responsibility for the Governor's Economic Advisory Council shall be:

- a. To advise the Governor on the formulation of a long term economic development of American Samoa.
- b. To advise the Governor on the development of specific policies and Action Plans.

Council staff support shall be provided by the Department of Commerce.

Section 4. Membership

The Council shall consist of members to be appointed by the Governor. The Governor's Senior Policy Advisor and the President of the Chamber of Commerce shall preside as Co-Chairpersons of the Council.

Section 5. Meetings

Meetings shall be held quarterly. The Governor may convene a meeting of the Council on an ad hoc basis in order to secure a recommendation of the Council membership on any specific economic initiative put forth for their review and advice.

Section 6. Rules

The Council shall develop and adopt procedures for the appropriate conduct of all business related to recommendations made by the Council for the Governor's review and adoption.

Section 7. Duration

The Council shall exist for a period of two years from the effective date of this Order unless otherwise ordered by subsequent Executive Order. This Order is effective immediately.

Dated: Nov. 16, 2007.


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