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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 005 – 2010

AN ORDER CALLING THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF 2010

WHEREAS, in seeking to allow the people of American Samoa to review, discuss and debate the most basic laws which govern them so that if they so desire, the Constitution of American Samoa may be modified, amended or kept to reflect their most deeply held values and so that present day and future concerns may be presented and weighed, and;

WHEREAS, to facilitate the evaluation of our most fundamental governmental institutions and rights, and to deliberate on and work to secure the preservation, continuation and perpetuation of our Samoan heritage, lands, language and culture, so that the people of American Samoa may lay out our their own political path and set out their own social policies for their future generations and all people to track, and;

WHEREAS, to provide a forum to the people of American Samoa, through their selected envoys and delegates, to voice and express their wishes, concerns and needs as they relate to their government, basic rights, and social institutions, while recognizing the importance of respect, tolerance and cooperation attendant to this democratic process;

WHEREAS, to supply a mechanism so that a vital stage in the process whereby modifications and changes to the most essential laws of the territory and basic governmental structures may be effected;


By the authority vested in me as Governor of American Samoa, by the Constitution of American Samoa, it is hereby ordered:

1. The Constitutional Convention of 2010 is hereby called. It shall convene on June 21, 2010 and shall adjourn on July 2, 2010. Delegates to the convention shall consider, discuss, debate and vote on amendments to the Revised Constitution of American Samoa of 1967 or a revised draft constitution presented by the Constitutional Review Committee.
2. The delegates to the convention shall be selected by their respective County Councils in accordance with Executive Order 003- 2010.

3. If the Convention approves amendments to the Revised Constitution of 1967 or a revised draft constitution by a simple majority vote, such amendments or such a draft will be submitted by the Governor to voters eligible to vote for members of the House of Representatives at the next general election.

This order shall take effect on 18th of June 2010.

Dated: June 18, 2010



TOGIOLA T.A. TULAFONO
Governor of American Samoa