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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.: 001 -2010

AN ORDER GRANTING THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLANNING AGENCY (CJPA) THE AUTHORITY TO COLLECT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY'S CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS AND INTELLIGENCE BUREAU (CIIB), THE TAFUNA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, THE JUVENILE DETENTION FACILITY AND ANY AMERICAN SAMOA GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, SUCH PUBLIC INFORMATION, DATA, REPORTS, STATISTICS, OR OTHER MATERIALS WHICH ARE NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE FUNCTIONS OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLANNING AGENCY.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, the Criminal Justice Planning Agency (CJPA) is the American Samoa Government agency working together with the Juvenile Justice Advisory Council in carrying out the statutory mandates prescribed in Section 46.0101, et seq. of the American Samoa Code Annotated; and

WHEREAS, CJPA has been the agency responsible for and advising the Governor on developing policies, plans, programs and budgets for the improvement, administration, and effectiveness of our local Criminal Justice System; and

WHEREAS, CJPA is currently the Territory's registered State Administrative Agency with the Department of Justice for federal grant programs such as the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), and the Office of Victims of Crime (OVC); and

WHEREAS, public data is collected at several different portals within the American Samoa Government that are critical in planning, implementing and promoting policy decisions for the Territory with regard to programs undertaken in conjunction with federal funding agencies; and


WHEREAS, in accordance with all independent statutory and regulatory protections for the collection of personal data, it is the specific intent of this Order to authorize CJPA to request, receive, utilize and report on such public information collected by the American Samoa Government pursuant to programs administered thereby, as allowed by local and federal law, for the development, planning and implementation of policy decisions by the Criminal Justice Planning Agency and the Office of the Governor.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Governor Togiola T.A. Tulafono, by the power vested in me by the Revised Constitution of American Samoa and the laws and regulations passed and adopted pursuant thereto, and in consideration of the above statements, do herewith order that the Criminal Justice Planning Agency is authorized, in accordance with all federal and territorial laws, to request, receive, collect and store such public data collected by the American Samoa Government pursuant to any and all programs administered by the Criminal Justice Planning Agency and any other related agencies for the purposes of advising the Governor on policy decisions concerning the criminal justice system in American Samoa and making reports to federal and local authorities regarding past, current and potential programs in the Territory; and

FURTHER, I herewith order that the Criminal Justice Planning Agency shall be the American Samoa Government Point of Contact for coordinating, within the parameters described above, the collection and use of data that is assembled and collected by non-governmental organizations and non-profit organizations within the Territory.

FURTHER, this Order shall take effect immediately.

Dated: February 2, 2010


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