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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10-1993

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE AMERICAN SAMOA HOSPITAL
AND HOSPITAL ADVISORY BOARD

Section 1: Authority

This Executive Order is issued under the authority granted to the Governor in Article IV, Section 6 of the American Samoa Revised Constitution and Title 4, Chapter 01, Section 0111(b) of the American Samoa Code.

Section 2: Dissolution and Recission

The Hospital Authority created by Executive Order No. 01-1991 is dissolved, and Executive Order No. 01-1991 is hereby rescinded.

Section 3: Hospital of American Samoa - Establishment

Pursuant to Section 4.0302(a) ASCA, the Hospital of American Samoa (hereinafter "Hospital") is created as an independent agency of the executive branch of the American Samoa Government.

Section 4: Hospital Responsibilities

Pursuant to Section 4.0301(b) ASCA, the Governor assigns responsibility to the Hospital for the provision and procurement of all hospital outpatient and inpatient medical services, psychiatric medical services, medical supplies, ancillary services and related support services.

Section 5: Relationship with Department of Health

Existing Department of Health responsibilities which are not Hospital responsibilities will continue, including, but not limited to: the management of health centers (dispensaries), provision of dental services, vital records functions, mobile emergency services and health planning and information services.

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Section 6: Hospital Advisory Board - Establishment

Pursuant to Section 4.0302(a) ASCA, the Hospital Advisory Board (hereinafter "the Board") is established within the executive branch of the American Samoa Government.

Section 7: Board - Membership

The membership of the Board shall be limited to five members, to be appointed by the Governor. The members will serve without compensation and at the pleasure of the Governor.

Section 8: Board - Powers and Duties

The Board shall function in an advisory capacity. The Board shall submit to the Governor for his consideration, names of three individuals nominated for the position of Hospital Director.

The primary duty of the Board shall be to advise the Governor and the Hospital Director in the planning and implementation of a semi-autonomous Hospital Authority.

Section 9: Hospital Director

The Governor shall appoint, from among the list of three candidates submitted by the Hospital Advisory Board, a Hospital Director to direct the operations of the Hospital.

Section 10: Hospital Director - Powers and Duties

The Hospital Director:

- (a) shall manage the day-to-day professional and business operations of the Hospital in accordance with sound business and accounting practices consistent with the health care objectives of the government and in accordance with the laws of American Samoa;
- (b) shall recommend and establish immediate and long-term health care policies, plans and objectives to provide the best health care for the people of American Samoa in the most cost-effective and efficient manner possible;
- (c) shall establish and carry out, in collaboration with the Hospital medical staff, an institution-wide medical care quality assurance program which is consistent with the revised Hospital Quality Assurance Plan and medical staff by-laws.

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- (d) shall collaborate with the Hospital Advisory Board in the planning and implementation of a semi-autonomous Hospital Authority;
- (e) shall have authority for the overall management of the Hospital, and such other authority as is necessary to effectively carry out the responsibilities listed under (a) above; and all other things needful and necessary to the full and convenient exercise of the purpose of management of the Hospital, subject to all applicable laws and rules of American Samoa.

Section 11: Effective Date

This Executive Order is effective upon signing and shall remain in effect until it is altered or amended by another Executive Order or by statute.

DATED:

July 26, 1993

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Governor of American Samoa