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COASTWEEKS 2021 September 13-25, 2021

"A Healthy Coast is a Wealthy Coast" Striking the Balance

- WHEREAS, American Samoa has a varied coastline of rocky shores, sandy beaches, and harbors; and
- WHEREAS, the natural resources of the coastal zone are among our most valuable economic resources; and
- WHEREAS, the marine environment supports an active subsistence and commercial industry; and
- WHEREAS, through the management, sustainment, and protection of our coastal zone and marine environment, future generations of American Samoa will benefit and prosper; and
- WHEREAS, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is extremely important to keep our islands clean; and
- WHEREAS, the adopted Coastweeks' theme: "Balancing coastal heritage and economic prosperity" is thereof, our responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, TALAUEGA E. V. ALE, Acting Governor of American Samoa, proclaim the period of September 13 - 25, 2021 as Coastweeks in American Samoa and urge all citizens to take notice of these weeks and participate in events to promote our coastal environment and to thank our Almighty God for His many blessings on American Samoa.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby affix my signature and seal of my office on this the 11th day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty-one.

> TALAUEGA E. V. ALE Acting Governor of American Samoa