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Governor Lemanu Invited as Keynote Speaker at the Peteli Academy Hall Dedication Ceremony

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Honorable Governor Lemanu P. S. Mauga attended the dedication ceremony of the newly constructed Peteli Academy Hall on June 28, 2023, and delivered the keynote address. Distinguished guests such as Secretary of Samoan Affairs Afioga Mauga Tasi Asuega, President of the Senate Tuaolo Fruean, Speaker of the House Savali Talavou Ale, and distinguished

members of the Congregation graced the ceremony held at the First Samoan Full Gospel Pentecostal Church (FSFGPC) Headquarters in Ottoville, Tafuna.

“Today, we gather here to celebrate a remarkable achievement—a testament to the church leaders’ unfaltering commitment to the future of our youths and families. The journey to build this magnificent hall has not been without its challenges, but I commend you for your unceasing effort to complete it,” remarked Governor Lemanu.

Governor Lemanu highlighted the parallel efforts of the Lemanu-Talauuga Administration and the leaders of the FSFGPC to support the youth of American Samoa and the struggles they face. He remarked:

“Our youth are facing many obstacles that are not unique to our shores; young people around the world confront issues such as substance abuse, domestic abuse, and various adversities. The Administration stands with the youth in these battles, however, these matters are not the sole responsibility of the government; it is a collaborative endeavor with our community and church leaders, villages, and families. This facility and the efforts of the congregation are in harmony with the initiatives of the Administration, and stand as a testament to the church leaders’ enduring dedication to nurture, educate, and guide our youth towards a prosperous future.”

Governor Lemanu further commended the President of the Church, along with its board members and congregations, and volunteers for their hard work, prayers, and resilience in overcoming the challenges over the years and completing the facility.

Recognizing the pressing need for quality educational spaces, the Peteli Academy has generously made provisions for classrooms within the hall, thus enabling a conducive environment for students to learn and grow spiritually and academically. The Peteli Academy consists of an Elementary School, a newly established High School curriculum, and a Bible Academy.

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