June 29, 1967

NIGHT LETTER

The Honerable Wayne Aspinall House of Representatives Washington, D. C.

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Lyndon B. Johnson

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TODAY THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW GOVERNOR OF AMERICAN SAMOA--OWEN

S. ASPINALL, 39-YEAR-OLD SON OF REP. WAYNE N. ASPINALL, D-COLO.

THE YOUNGER ASPINALL WILL SUCCEED H. REX LEE AS GOVERNOR OF THE SEVEN ISLANDS ADMINISTERED BY THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT. HIS FATHER IS CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE INTERIOR COMMITTEE.

OWEN ASPINALL, MARRIED TO A SAMOAN, HAS BEEN GOVERNOR SECRETARY OF THE ISLANDS SINCE NOVEMBER 1962. THE POSITION IS EQUIVALENT TO THAT OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

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## Congress of the United States Bouse of Representatives

Washington, P.C.

July 3, 1967



Dear Mr. President:

Mrs. Aspinall and I are most appreciative of the telegram which you sent to us when you announced the appointment of our son, Owen, to be Governor of American Samoa.

We appreciate the confidence that you have in our son and we feel sure that he will live up to your expectations.

Also, Mr. President, I wish to express my appreciation for the thoughtfulness which prompted Mr. Sprague to send a full copy of the release on Owen's appointment.

Sincerely,

The President
The White House

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WASHINGTON

July 5, 1967

To:

Yolanda Boozer

From:

Jean Lewis' office

Cong. Wayne Aspinall

For the President.

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