RESOLUTION IN THANKS OF ABA SUPPORTERS
RESOLUTION NO. 08-2011

RESOLUTION OF THANKS TO THOSE WHO HELPED THE AMERICAN SAMOA BAR ASSOCIATION GAIN A SEAT IN THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

WHEREAS, the American Samoa Bar Association worked for many years to gain a seat in the American Bar Association House of Delegates, which was finally granted at the ABA annual meeting in Toronto in August 2011.

WHEREAS, this success was due to the hard work and perseverance of dedicated individuals who believed in building partnerships between American Samoa and the ABA.

WHEREAS, the Virgin Islands Bar Association played an integral role in promoting, lobbying, arguing, and ultimately passing the resolution which gained the seats in the ABA.

WHEREAS, Tom Bolt especially showed outstanding commitment to the proposal through his tireless efforts and support with the House of Delegates.

Therefore, the American Samoa Bar Association resolves the following:

RESOLVED, that the American Samoa Bar Association commends the Virgin Islands Bar Association for all that it has done to bring the territories into the ABA, and for its
dedication to and hard work on behalf of the people of U.S. Territories and American Samoa. We look forward to a long a fruitful relationship between our organizations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the American Samoa Bar Association thanks Tom Bolt for his dedication and help in improving the justice system and rule of law in the U.S. Territories through partnering with the ABA.

This resolution goes into effect immediately upon approval.

I hereby certify that this resolution was approved by a majority vote of the active members of the bar present at a regular meeting of the American Samoa Bar Association.

Dated this 29th day of September, 2011.

/s/__________________________
BLAKE HANLEY
Secretary, American Samoa Bar Association