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PRESS RELEASE

SUNGO Staff Joins Torch of Peace Initiative to Eliminate Violence Against Women and Girls

Friday, 10th November 2023, Mulinuu, APIA – Today, on the 10th of November 2023, the Samoa Umbrella for Non-Governmental Organisations (SUNGO) proudly announces its active participation in the Torch of Peace Initiative, a groundbreaking awareness program initiated by the Samoa Victims Support Group (SVSG) aimed at eliminating violence against women and girls.

SUNGO staff, in solidarity with the Samoa Victim Support Group, took part in carrying the Torch this morning, marking a significant step towards fostering a safer environment for women and girls in our community.

The Torch of Peace Initiative, spearheaded by the SVSG, is a beacon of hope and a call to action against the pervasive issue of violence faced by women and girls. Through this initiative, the SVSG aims to raise awareness, challenge societal norms, and promote gender equality, ultimately striving for a society where women and girls can live free from fear and violence.

SUNGO, as a dedicated advocate for social justice and gender equality, is honored to support this vital initiative. By joining forces with the SVSG, we reaffirm our commitment to creating a world where every woman and girl can thrive without the threat of violence.

Furthermore, SUNGO is proud to announce its role as an implementing partner for the Spotlight Initiative Project, generously funded by the European Union through the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). This partnership underscores our shared vision of empowering women and girls, addressing the root causes of violence, and promoting gender-responsive policies and services. Through our collaboration with the Spotlight Initiative Project, SUNGO continues to work tirelessly to eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls.

As we take part in the Torch of Peace Initiative, we urge the community to join us in this crucial mission. Together, we can create a society where respect, equality, and safety are the cornerstones of our interactions. Let us stand united against violence and strive for a brighter, safer future for every woman and girl.

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