

Sample Resolution to Support Participation in the 2020 Census

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by Article I, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution to conduct an accurate count of the population every ten years; and

WHEREAS, [NAME] County received \$[AMOUNT] in federal funding in 2017 and part of the basis for receiving these federal funds relies, in part, on census data; and

WHEREAS, census data also helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is used in the redistricting of state legislatures, county boards of supervisors and city councils; and

WHEREAS, the decennial census is a huge undertaking that requires cross-sector collaboration and partnership in order to achieve a complete and accurate count; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is facing several challenges with the 2020 Census, which include declining response rates, technological change, and fiscal constraints, thus support from local government is critical; and

WHEREAS, the County of [NAME], in partnership with other local governments, the State, businesses, and community organizations, is committed to ensuring every resident is counted;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the County of [NAME] recognizes the importance of the 2020 Census and supports participation in helping to ensure a complete, fair, and accurate count.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this day ____ of ____, 2018.