



RESOLUTION TITLE: 2020 CENSUS PROCLAMATION AND ESTABLISHMENT OF 2020 CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE

- WHEREAS, an accurate census count is vital to our community and residents well-being by helping planners and public officials determine where to locate schools, daycare centers, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and is used to make decisions concerning business growth and housing needs; and,
- WHEREAS, more than \$600 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated to states and communities based on census data; and,
- WHEREAS, census data ensure fair Congressional representation by determining how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives as well as the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city councils, and voting districts; and,
- WHEREAS, the 2020 Census creates jobs that stimulate economic growth and increase employment opportunities in our community; and,
- WHEREAS, the information collected by the census is confidential and protected under Federal Law Title-13 of the United States Code; and,
- WHEREAS, the County of Gaston, North Carolina agrees to be one of the local governments in partnership with the United States Census Bureau by forming a 2020 Complete Count Committee and to be Chaired by Mr. David Williams, Director of the Planning and Development Services, to ensure that all residents in our community are counted; and,
- WHEREAS, the Gaston County Complete Count Committee will include representatives from local governments, business, residents, and other community organizations.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners proclaims that Gaston County, North Carolina is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to help ensure a full and accurate count in 2020.

As a 2020 Census partner, we will:

1. Support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and will disseminate 2020 Census information to encourage those in our community to participate.

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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2. Encourage people in Gaston County, North Carolina to place an emphasis on the 2020 Census and participate in events and initiatives that will raise overall awareness of the 2020 Census and ensure a full and accurate census.
3. Support census takers as they help our community complete an accurate count.
4. Create or seek opportunities to collaborate with other like-minded groups in our community such as Complete Count Committees, to utilize high-profile, trusted voices to advocate on behalf of the 2020 Census.

Signed this 23rd day of April in the year 2019.

Tracy L. Philbeck, Chairman
Gaston County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the Board