

RESOLUTIONS OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA

RESOLUTION NO. 20520

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE YEAR 2020 UNITED STATES CENSUS AND THE FORMATION OF A COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Census is vital to our community in that it is the basis for the allocation of billions of dollars of federal, state and county funds for transportation, social and other programs, and determines the apportionment of seats in the United States House of Representatives and the Montana State Legislature;

WHEREAS, the Census is also used to help determine where to locate schools, daycare centers, senior citizen centers, hospitals and other facilities and is used to make decisions concerning business growth and jobs;

WHEREAS, Census information is confidential and federal law prohibits any public or private agency from gaining access to confidential Census data;

WHEREAS, the City of Helena is committed to a full and accurate Census count and are placing special emphasis on enumerating members of population groups traditionally undercounted; and

WHEREAS, the City of Helena will form a Census 2020 Complete Count Committee, composed of key stakeholders within our community, including Lewis and Clark County and the City of East

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Helena, elected officials, planners, community based organizations, business groups, religious institutions and members of the media. The Complete Count Committee will be an important partner to help with outreach to all sectors of our community, especially our most vulnerable sections, such as immigrants, seniors and community members with disabilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA;

Section 1. The Census 2020 is a top priority for all departments and appointed officials, and the City Commission encourages residents of the City of Helena to place an emphasis on partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau in achieving an accurate and complete count in Census 2020.

Section 2. The co-chairs of the Complete Count Committee, or their designees, will coordinate a Complete Count Committee for the community to facilitate this partnership.

PASSED AND EFFECTIVE BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HELENA, MONTANA, THIS 6TH DAY OF MAY, 2019.

/S/ WILMOT J. COLLINS
MAYOR

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ATTEST:

/S/ DEBBIE HAVENS
CLERK OF THE COMMISSION