

**MECKLENBURG BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING
THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY 2020 CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Article 1, Section 2 of the United States Constitution mandates that a census be conducted of the nation's population every 10 years with the next census scheduled for April 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that all households of Mecklenburg County complete a census form and that all residents be counted; and

WHEREAS, the census will determine how many elected congressional representatives and congressional districts North Carolina will have; and

WHEREAS, having an accurate and complete census count is important to our community in determining the allocation of federal and state funds and in making decisions related to economic development, housing assistance, transportation improvements, health care and education planning, and many other policies; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that accurate data be collected from groups of people who are historically difficult to count, including young children, low-income individuals, non-native English speakers, immigrants, renters, and individuals with unstable housing situations; and

WHEREAS, education, planning, outreach, and community partnerships between elected officials, the business and faith-based community, are necessary to ensure the census is as accurate as possible; and

WHEREAS, the United States Census Bureau encourages states and local governments to form Complete Count Committees, (CCC's) to increase awareness and understanding about the importance of the 2020 Census and to encourage people to participate; and

WHEREAS, every resident of Mecklenburg County counts and deserves to be counted;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT

1. There is hereby established an ad hoc committee known as the Mecklenburg County Complete Count Committee ("Committee").
2. The Committee shall consist of up to 40 members representing a broad cross section of Mecklenburg County's population. It is particularly important that the Committee have strong representation from organizations that serve the populations that are most likely to be undercounted.
3. Each municipality in the County will recommend one elected official or a designee.
4. The Committee shall sunset upon completion of its activities in 2020.

Adopted on the _____ day of _____, 2019.

George Dunlap, Chair
Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:

Janice S. Paige, Clerk to the Board