

RESOLUTION NO.

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE TO MONITOR, PROTECT, AND DEFEND THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF RESIDENT INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE 2020 CENSUS FROM BREACH AND MISUSE, AND TO SUPPORT OUTREACH ACTIVITIES TO ENSURE A COMPLETE COUNT AND BROAD PARTICIPATION IN THE CENSUS AS A WAY TO GUARANTEE THAT MARGINALIZED AND HARD-TO-COUNT COMMUNITIES PARTICIPATE IN THE CENSUS WITHOUT FEAR**

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the United States (“U.S.”) mandates a count of every person living in the U.S. and its five territories every ten years (“Census”); and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Census Bureau is obligated to count every person regardless of age, immigration status, gender, race, or ethnicity; and

**WHEREAS**, an accurate Census count is critical because the resulting data affects the distribution of federal funding, the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and how congressional and state legislative districts are drawn; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that the City of San José (“City”) encourages its residents to participate in the Census; and

**WHEREAS**, the actions of the current federal administration have created mistrust in the Census process which could result in an undercount of immigrant, refugee, homeless, and other hard-to-count communities; and

**WHEREAS**, residents in these hard-to-count communities may not participate in the Census due to fear that their confidential Census information will be misused; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is committed to protecting the confidentiality of resident information and supporting outreach activities so that residents will be encouraged to participate in the Census, which is essential for a successful Census;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JOSE HEREBY adopts a resolution to monitor, protect, and defend the confidentiality of resident information provided to the Federal Government through the 2020 Census from breach and misuse, and to support outreach activities to ensure a complete count and broad participation in the Census as a way to guarantee that marginalized and hard-to-count communities participate in the Census without fear.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

DISQUALIFIED:

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SAM LICCARDO  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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TONI J. TABER, CMC  
City Clerk