

RESOLUTION

TO PARTNER WITH THE CENSUS BUREAU FOR CENSUS 2020 THROUGH THE FORMATION OF A COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by the U.S. Constitution to conduct a count of the population and provides a historic opportunity to help shape the foundation of our society and play an active role in American democracy; and

WHEREAS, Lowndes County, Georgia is committed to ensuring every resident is counted; and

WHEREAS, federal and state funding is allocated to communities, and decisions are made on matters of national and local importance based, in part, on census data and housing; and

WHEREAS, census data helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is necessary for the accurate and fair redistricting of state legislative seats, county and city councils and voting districts; and

WHEREAS, information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey are vital tools for economic development and increased employment; and

WHEREAS, the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law; and

WHEREAS, a united voice from business, government, community-based and faith-based organizations, educators, media and others will enable the 2020 Census message to reach more of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, a Lowndes County Complete Count Committee will bring together community members who will utilize their knowledge and expertise to reach out to all people of our community; and

WHEREAS, the Lowndes County Complete Count Committee will work with the Census Bureau to strive for an accurate count.

NOW, THEREFORE, Lowndes County is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau and will:

1. Support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and will disseminate 2020 Census information.
2. Encourage all County residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation.
3. Provide Census advocates to speak to County and Community Organizations.
4. Support census takers as they help our County complete an accurate count.