

# Bismarck

## PROCLAMATION

**Whereas**, an accurate census count is vital to our community and residents' well-being by helping planners determine where to locate schools, daycare centers, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and achieving an accurate and complete count of the nation's growing population; and

**Whereas**, a total of \$1910 per person in Federal funds is disbursed annually to North Dakota based on census population counts; and

**Whereas**, census data helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and often is used for the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city councils and voting districts and thus helps to ensure equal representation in the political process;

**Whereas**, the 2020 Census creates jobs that stimulate economic growth and increase employment; and

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

**Whereas**, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal; and

**As a 2020 Census Partner, we will:**

1. Support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and disseminate 2020 Census information to encourage those in our community to participate.
2. Encourage people in our community to place an emphasis on the 2020 Census and participate in events and initiatives that will raise overall awareness 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 by participating in Complete Count Committees and/or utilizing high-profile, trusted voices to advocate on behalf of the 2020 Census.

**Therefore, Be it Resolved** that I, Steve Bakken, Mayor of the City of Bismarck, do hereby PROCLAIM that the City of Bismarck is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to help ensure a full and accurate count in 2020. I have hereunto set my hand and seal of this City of Bismarck this 27th day of November, 2018.

Signed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018.



Mayor Bakken  
Board of City Commissioners  
City of Bismarck, ND