

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-60

RESOLUTION BY THE GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CENSUS BUREAU FOR CENSUS 2020 THROUGH THE FORMATION OF A COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

WHEREAS, the next Decennial Census will be taken in the year 2020 and political representation to the United States House of Representatives, state legislatures, and local governments is determined by the Decennial Census, and Racine County recognizes the equal importance of each resident in the 2020 Census Count; and

WHEREAS, having an accurate and complete Census count is important to our community in determining Federal and State aids and grants, economic development, housing assistance, transportation improvements, and many other uses; and

WHEREAS, Racine County agrees to be in partnership with the U.S. Bureau of Census; and

WHEREAS, Racine County understands that its primary role in this partnership is to formulate a Complete Count Committee; and

WHEREAS, the role of the Complete Count Committee is to bridge the gaps between the community and the Census Bureau on geographical matters, outreach activities and information centers, and the encouragement of qualifying residents to apply for Census jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Census Complete Count Committee will motivate and educate county residents to create awareness of the necessity and importance of their rapid response and 100% participation in the Census 2020 through educational institutions, special bulletins, community-based organizations, and businesses through announcements, promotional materials, and displays; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the Racine County 2020 Complete Count Committee are to:

- Ensure an accurate count of every resident,
- Ensure an accurate count of most likely undercounted communities,
- Achieve a high return of online, phone, and mailed Census surveys,
- Make every resident aware of the census, and
- Make every resident aware that the information they provide for the Census is kept in complete confidence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Racine County Board of Supervisors recognizes the importance of the 2020 census and, to guarantee the most accurate count of county residents as possible, hereby establishes the Racine County Complete Count Committee.

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4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Racine County Board of Supervisors that the
5 Racine County Executive is hereby authorized to appoint the Racine County 2020
6 Complete Count Committee consisting of community leaders from throughout Racine
7 County.
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9 Respectfully submitted,

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11 1st Reading _____

GOVERNMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE

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13 2nd Reading _____

Janet Bernberg, Chairman

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15 **BOARD ACTION**

16 Adopted _____

Thomas Roanhouse, Vice-Chairman

17 For _____

18 Against _____

19 Absent _____

Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, Secretary

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21 **VOTE REQUIRED:** Majority

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23 Prepared by:
24 Corporation Counsel

John A. Wisch

Scott Maier

Tom Kramer

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34 **The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of**

35 **Racine County, Wisconsin, is hereby:**

36 **Approved:** _____

37 **Vetoed:** _____

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39 **Date:** _____,

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42 **Jonathan Delagrave, County Executive**