

Proclamation



City of North Port

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

Whereas, more than \$675 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated based, in part, on the census data; 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

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 laws under Title 13, U. S. Code; 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

Now, Therefore, WE, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, as a 2020 Census partner, 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *WE* have hereunto set our hands and seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 2nd day of January 2020.

ATTEST

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

Heather Taylor, Interim City Clerk

Debbie McDowell, Mayor

Jill Luke, Vice Mayor

Vanessa Carusone, Commissioner

Pete Emrich, Commissioner

Christopher Hanks, Commissioner