Fayette County, Georgia

Recognizing April 1, 2020 as "Fayette Census Day"

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Article 1, Section 2 of the **United States Constitution** mandates that a census of the nation's population be conducted every ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS, the next census is scheduled for April 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, census data ensures fair Congressional representation by determining how many elected congressional representatives and congressional districts each state will have after the 2020 Census; and

WHEREAS, the census will determine how the federal government distributes funding to Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the census will determine how the state of Georgia distributes funding to municipalities and counties throughout the state; and

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

WHEREAS, it is vital that all households in Fayette County, Georgia complete and submit a census form and every resident of our community be counted; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that accurate data be collected from groups of people who are historically difficult to count, including young children, low-income individuals, military personnel, non-native English speakers, minorities, and rural residents; and

WHEREAS, planning, outreach, local government involvement, and community education are required to ensure that the census is as accurate as possible; and

WHEREAS, the Fayette County, Georgia Board of Commissioners, hereby do agree to support the Fayette Census 2020 Complete Count Committee which will develop outreach activities designed to encourage every resident to complete the Census questionnaire on-line, over the telephone or promptly return it by mail.

NOW THEREFORE, the Fayette County, Georgia Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim April 1, 2020, as "Fayette Census Day" in Fayette County, Georgia and recognize the importance of the 2020 Census and pledge full support to achieving a complete and accurate Census count.

So proclaimed this 27th day of February, 2020

Randy C. Ognio, Chairman