

**CITY OF BALTIMORE
COUNCIL BILL 18-0097R
(Resolution)**

Introduced by: The Council President, Councilmembers Henry, Middleton, Scott, Costello,
Burnett, Cohen, Bullock, President Young, Councilmembers Dorsey, Stokes, Pinkett, Sneed,
Clarke, Reisinger, Schleifer

At the request of: The Administration (The Mayor's Office)

Introduced and adopted: September 17, 2018

A COUNCIL RESOLUTION CONCERNING

Supporting and Maintaining a 2020 Census Partnership

FOR the purpose of committing the City of Baltimore to partnering with the United States Census Bureau and the State of Maryland to support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census; to disseminate 2020 Census information; to encourage all City residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation; to provide Census advocates to speak to City and community organizations; to support census takers as they help our City complete an accurate count; and to strive to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons within our boundaries.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by the U.S. Constitution to conduct a count of the population.

WHEREAS, the City of Baltimore is committed to ensuring every resident is counted.

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.

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

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

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

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.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That Baltimore is committed to partnering with the United States Census Bureau and the State of Maryland to support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census; to disseminate 2020 Census information; to encourage all City residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation; to provide Census advocates to speak to City and community organizations; to support census takers as they help our City

EXPLANATION: Underlining indicates matter added by amendment.
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter deleted by amendment.

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1 complete an accurate count; and to strive to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons
2 within our boundaries.

3 **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Acting Director
4 of the United States Census Bureau, the Director of the Baltimore City Department of Planning,
5 the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Planning, the Mayor, and the Mayor's Legislative
6 Liaison to the City Council.