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GOVERNOR LAURA KELLY

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19-07**

Establishing the Kansas Complete Count Committee

**WHEREAS**, the United States Constitution requires that a Census be conducted every ten years, and the next Census is set to take place on April 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 Census will determine how the federal government will distribute \$675 billion annually to fund critical community services and economic incentives; and

**WHEREAS**, it will also determine how many seats Kansas will have in the United States House of Representatives, as well as determine the boundaries of legislative districts; and

**WHEREAS**, workforce development programs are funded by the federal government, including those that match employers with Kansas workers and train and re-train the Kansas workforce, the 2020 Census will impact the creation and availability of jobs that directly benefit Kansas families and the Kansas economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Census will provide valuable information for both state and national leaders when making decisions regarding land use and resource planning, roads and bridge planning, economic development, workforce development, health services planning, education, housing needs planning, and community needs planning; and

**WHEREAS**, the Census is a necessary undertaking, but it is costly, time consuming, and requires extraordinary statewide collaboration at all levels of government and community organization; and

**WHEREAS**, there are major issues with the accuracy of the data that comes from resident populations that are historically difficult to count, including, but not limited to, non-native English speakers, low-income households, and children; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to ensure the 2020 Census is as accurate as possible, strategic planning is required to effectively account for these populations in the most efficient manner possible.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Kansas, I hereby establish the 2020 Kansas Complete Count Committee ("Committee") until June 30, 2020.

1. The Committee shall be composed of up to fifty members appointed by the governor:
  - a. One representative from each of the following agencies, boards, or commissions:
    - i. Kansas State Department of Education
    - ii. Department of Children and Families

- iii. Department of Aging and Disability Services
- iv. Department of Health and Environment
- v. Department of Labor
- vi. Department of Agriculture
- vii. Department of Commerce
- viii. Department of Transportation
- ix. Department of Revenue
- x. Kansas OITS
- xi. Kansas Secretary of State
- xii. Kansas State Library
- xiii. Kansas Board of Regents
- xiv. Governor's Military Council
- xv. Veteran's Affairs Commission
- xvi. African American Affairs Commission
- xvii. Hispanic and Latino American Affairs Commission
- xviii. Kansas Native American Affairs Office

b. Members from the following focus areas:

- i. State Government
- ii. Local Government
- iii. Workplace/Workforce Stakeholders
- iv. Community Hubs and Networks
- v. Hard-to-Count Populations
- vi. Public Relations & Communications

2. The Governor shall appoint a chair or co-chairs.

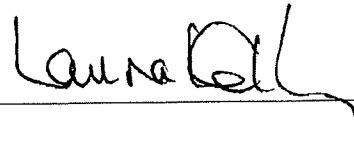
3. The Committee Chair(s) shall select from among the membership four vice-chairs, one from each of the state's Congressional Districts.

4. The Governor's appointments shall reflect efforts to ensure representative geographic, cultural, ethnic and gender representation on the Committee.
5. The Committee's duty will be to initiate, act upon, and consider all necessary strategies to
  - a. Promote and advertise the 2020 Census;
  - b. Respond to the population's questions and concerns about the Census;
  - c. Focus available resources on hard-to-count areas and populations; and
  - d. Ensure the highest participation rate possible.
6. The Committee shall be staffed by the Kansas Department of Commerce, as feasible given existing resources to support the mission and activities of the Committee.
7. The Committee may consult with outside experts and others, as appropriate.
8. The Council shall be subject to the Kansas Open Records Act and the Kansas Open Meetings Act.

This document shall be filed with the Secretary of State as Executive Order No. 19-07. It shall become effective immediately and remain in force until June 30, 2020.

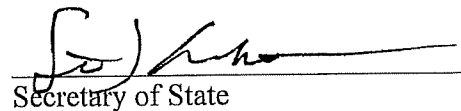
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