

## **PROCLAMATION**

### **Supporting the 2020 United States Census**

**WHEREAS**, every ten years, Article 1, Section 2 of the United States Constitution mandates a count of all the people living in the United States and its territories; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2020 Census will address every household in the nation with a simple questionnaire with the goal of counting everyone once, only once, and in the right place; and

**WHEREAS**, data obtained by the survey will be used to help determine how approximately \$675 billion will be distributed from the federal government to state, local, and tribal governments annually; and

**WHEREAS**, up to \$2,000 of federal funding will be lost for each person not counted; as well as upwards of \$20,000 of federal funding lost every ten years; and

**WHEREAS**, a complete count requires that we bring together leaders from all communities of the Commonwealth, so that every Virginian regardless of racial, social, or economic background is counted; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Ralph S. Northam has established the Virginia Complete Count Commission, which is comprised of 40 members to collaborate with community partners and local Complete Count Committees to ensure an accurate 2020 Census count;

**WHEREAS**, Spotsylvania County will create and join opportunities to collaborate with the community in forming a Complete Count Committee to inform and prepare the community for the 2020 Census; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Supervisors hereby proclaims May 28, 2019 as Spotsylvania County Census Awareness Day and authorizes formation of a Complete Count Committee.

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