



Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas:

Article 1, Section 2 of the United States Constitution mandates that a census be conducted of the nation's population every ten (10) years with the next census scheduled for April 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS: The census directly impacts the many resources Lima and Allen County will receive in the next decade. Population counts and statistics derived from both the decennial census and other surveys determine the annual allocation of more than \$800 billion in federal investment across states, counties and cities; and

WHEREAS: The census provides the most reliable and complete data for research, decision making and planning for both the public and private sectors. Academic institutions, medical facilities, businesses of all sizes and all levels of government rely on census data to inform their research, decision making and planning; and

WHEREAS: The 2020 Census will be the first to offer options for the internet and phone responses. 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. Every person in the community is important and needs to be counted.

NOW THEREFORE: I, David J. Berger, Mayor of the City of Lima, Ohio do hereby proclaim April 1, 2020 as

Census Day

in the City of Lima, Ohio and ask all citizens to recognize the importance of the 2020 Census and pledge full support to achieving a complete and accurate Census Count.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Seal of the City of Lima, Ohio, this 1st day of April, 2020.

DAVID J. BERGER, MAYOR
CITY OF LIMA, OHIO

