## **RESOLUTION NO. 2020-006**

## RESOLUTION TO COMMIT YEADON BOROUGH AS A PARTNER WITH THE U.S. CENSUS BUREAU IN FULFILLING ITS REQUIREMENT TO CONDUCT AN ACCURATE POPULATION COUNT

**WHEREAS** the U.S. Census Bureau is required by Article I, Section II of the U.S. Constitution to conduct an accurate count of the population and provides a historic opportunity to help shape the foundation of our society and play an active role in American democracy;

WHEREAS the Borough of Yeadon 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, state, and local importance based, in part, on census data;

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

WHEREAS, the decennial census is a huge undertaking that requires cross-sector collaboration and partnership in order to achieve a complete and accurate count; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is facing several challenges with the 2020 Census, which include declining response rates, changes in data collection methods, and fiscal constraints, thus support from local government is critical; and

**WHEREAS** information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey are vital tools for economic development and increased employment, allocation of resources for health care, senior services, disability services, child care, education, housing, transportation, and community development;

WHEREAS the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law;

WHEREAS a united voice from Borough Council members, 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 that the Borough of Yeadon, Delaware County is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau and the State of Pennsylvania and will:

- Support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and will disseminate 2020 Census information.
- Encourage all Borough residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation.
- 3. Provide Census advocates to speak to Borough and Community Organizations.
- 4. Support census takers as they help our Borough complete an accurate count.
- 5. Strive to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons within our borders.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 215t day of February

ATTEST:

COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF YEADON

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President LaToya Monroe