

RESOLUTION NO. 20-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ISLA VISTA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TO SUPPORT THE 2020 CENSUS

WHEREAS, the Isla Vista Community Services District (“District”) has begun co-leading the Isla Vista Complete County Committee in partnership with the UCSB Office of Student Life; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by Article I, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution to conduct an accurate count of the population every ten years; and

WHEREAS, the next enumeration will be April 1, 2020 and will be the first to rely heavily on online responses; and

WHEREAS, the primary and perpetual challenge facing the U.S. Census Bureau is the undercount of certain population groups; and

WHEREAS, that challenge is amplified in California, given the size of the state and the diversity of communities; and

WHEREAS, Isla Vista has a large percentage of individuals that are considered traditionally hard to count; and

WHEREAS, these diverse communities and demographic populations are at risk of being missed in the 2020 Census; and

WHEREAS, California receives nearly \$77 billion in federal funding that relies, in part, on census data; and

WHEREAS, a complete and accurate count of California’s population is essential; and

WHEREAS, the data collected by the decennial Census determines the number of seats each state has in the U.S. House of Representatives and is used to distribute billions of dollars in federal funds to state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, the data is also used in the redistricting of state legislatures, county boards of supervisors and city councils; and

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

WHEREAS, California’s leaders have dedicated a historic amount of funding and resources to ensure every Californian is counted once, only once and in the right place; and

WHEREAS, this includes coordination between tribal, city, county, state governments, community-based organizations, education, and many more; and

WHEREAS, Census Bureau is facing several challenges with Census 2020, including constrained fiscal environment, rapidly changing use of technology, declining response rates, increasingly diverse and mobile population, thus support from partners and stakeholders is critical; and

WHEREAS, the IVCS D in partnership with other local governments, the State, businesses, schools, and community organizations, is committed to robust outreach and communication strategies, focusing on reaching the hardest-to-count individuals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Isla Vista Community Service District, as follows: the importance of the 2020 U.S. Census is recognized and the District supports helping to ensure a complete, fair, and accurate count of all Isla Vista residents.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Isla Vista Community Services District at a regular meeting held on the 28th day of January 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ATTEST:

JONATHAN ABOUD, General Manager
ISLA VISTA COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

By: _____
SPENCER BRANDT, Board President

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By:  _____
G. ROSS TRINDLE, III, District Counsel

I, _____, General Manager of the Isla Vista Community Services District, Santa Barbara County, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the Resolution passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Isla Vista Community Services District on the date and by the vote indicated herein.