

# Governor's Proclamation



## CENSUS 2020 AWARENESS

**WHEREAS**, the Census is vital to our Wyoming communities in that it determines the apportionment of seats in the State Legislature and is the basis for allocation of billions of dollars of federal, state and county funds for social and other programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Census is used for rural development, planning for public transportation services, planning health and education services for people with disabilities, urban planning, land use planning, developing assistance programs for low-income families, making business decisions, school projects, developing adult education programs, and attracting new businesses to state and local areas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Census is also used to help determine where to locate schools, day care centers, senior citizen centers, hospitals, and other facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Census is used to make decisions concerning business growth and jobs;

**WHEREAS**, Census information is confidential, and federal law prohibits any public or private agency from gaining access to confidential census data; and

**WHEREAS**, we are committed to a full and accurate census count and are placing special emphasis on enumerating members of population groups traditionally undercounted; and

**WHEREAS**, we are committed to partnering together with the U.S. Census Bureau in preparing for Census 2020 through address list updates, census map corrections, and jurisdictional boundary update; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK GORDON, GOVERNOR**, do hereby proclaim the year 2019 to be

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in Wyoming, and recognize Census 2020 as a top priority for all departments and appointed officials, and encourage communities to place an emphasis within their jurisdiction of partnering together with the U.S. Census Bureau in achieving an accurate and complete count in Census 2020.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Executive Seal of the Governor of Wyoming to be affixed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark Gordon".

The Honorable Mark Gordon  
33<sup>rd</sup> Governor of the Great State of Wyoming

