



## **PROCLAMATION**

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, census data also helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is used in the redistricting of state legislatures, county boards of supervisors and city councils; and

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, technological change, and fiscal constraints, thus support from local government is critical; and

WHEREAS, the City of Cocoa in partnership with other local governments, the State, businesses, and community organizations, is committed to ensuring every resident is counted.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mayor Jake Williams, Jr., on behalf of the City Council of the City of Cocoa, Florida, do hereby recognize the importance of the 2020 Census and support participation in helping to ensure a complete, fair, and accurate count.

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WHEREFORE, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Cocoa to be affixed this 26th day of February, 2020.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk HUlly