

PROCLAMATION National Census Day April 1, 2020

WHEREAS, Every 10 years, as mandated by Article 1, Section 2 of the United States Constitution, all persons living in the United States are called upon to participate in the Census, and the 2020 Census is safe and easy to complete as all census participants' private information is confidential and protected by law; and

WHEREAS, As the foremost method of gathering information about our Nation, the Census plays a crucial role in helping the United States to maintain our democratic form of government, and an accurate Census helps to ensure that the rights and needs of every person are recorded and recognized as we shape public policies, programs, and services; and

WHEREAS, Queen Creek established a Complete Count Committee, a citizen group tasked with helping the Town and the U.S. Census Bureau capture the greatest possible response rate for the Town through communicating with diverse groups of residents who may be historically difficult to reach through traditional outreach strategies, which allows fast-growing communities like Queen Creek to bring tax dollars residents have already paid back to the community; and

WHEREAS, Census data are used by the Federal Government to proportionately distribute funds to each State, affecting the amount of state-shared revenue distributed to each Arizona community; to determine the number of seats each State is allocated in the U.S. House of Representatives; and by State and local governments to draw legislative districts that accurately represent their residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Queen Creek proclaims April 1, 2020 as

National Census Day

In the Town of Queen Creek, and encourage all Town of Queen Creek residents to accurately complete the 2020 Census on-line, by phone, or by mail.

WITNESS MY HAND this 1st day of April 2020.

ATTEST: Maria E. Gonzalez, Town Clerk

Gail Barney, Mayor