## Proclamation

## Kirksville, Missouri

## RECOGNIZING APRIL 1, 2020 AS "CENSUS DAY" APRIL 1, 2020

**WHEREAS**, Article 1, Section 2 of the United States Constitution mandates that a census be conducted of the nation's population every ten (10) years with the next census scheduled for April 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, it is vital that all households in Kirksville, Missouri complete and submit a census form and every resident of our community counts and deserves to be counted; and

**WHEREAS**, the census will determine how the federal government distributes \$675 billion in funding; and

**WHEREAS**, census data ensures fair Congressional representation by determining how many elected congressional representatives and congressional districts each state will have; and

**WHEREAS**, it is essential that accurate data be collected from groups of people who are historically difficult to count, including, but not limited to, students, individuals with low to moderate income, seniors, and immigrants; and

**WHEREAS**, planning, outreach, local government involvement, and community education are required to ensure that the census is as accurate as possible; and

WHEREAS, the information collected by the Census is confidential and protected by law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Kirksville will encourage every resident to accurately complete the 2020 Census questionnaire online, over the telephone, or promptly return it by mail.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED**, by the Mayor of the City of Kirksville, Missouri, that I, Zac Burden, do hereby proclaim April 1, 2020, as Census Day in the City of Kirksville and recognize the importance of the 2020 Census and pledge full support to achieving a complete and accurate Census Count.

ATTEST:		
Lindsay Leckbee	Zac Burden	
City Clerk	Mayor	

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