PROCLAMATION
2020 CENSUS PARTNERSHIP

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census Bureau, under requirements prescribed by Article 1, Section 2 of the United States Constitution, will conduct its decennial count of the U.S. population for the year 2020 thereby influencing the very future of our democratic society; and

WHEREAS, census data is a determining factor for the apportionment of seats for each state in the U.S. House of Representatives, and is necessary for the accurate and fair redistricting of the state legislature, county and municipal offices, and voting districts; and

WHEREAS, state and federal funding is allocated to communities, and critical decisions are made on matters of national and local importance based, in part, on information obtained from census data; and

WHEREAS, information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey (ACS) are vital tools for public officials, planners, and entrepreneurs in assessing the past and planning the future; the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stuart is resolved to ensure that every person residing within its borders is counted in the 2020 Census; and

WHEREAS, a united voice from businesses, government, community and faith-based organizations, educators, the press, and others will enable the 2020 Census to reach more households and persons.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Michael J. Meier**,** as Mayor of the City of Stuart, Florida do hereby proclaim that the City of Stuart supports the U.S. Census Bureau and the State of Florida in their efforts and will:

1. Support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and will disseminate 2020 Census information.
2. Encourage all city residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census thereby increasing participation.
3. Provide Census advocates to speak to City and Community Organizations.
4. Support Census takers as they help our City complete an accurate count.
5. Strive to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons residing within city limits.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Stuart Florida to be affixed this 9th day of March, 2020.

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MICHAEL J. MEIER
MAYOR