

**TOWNSHIP OF VERONA  
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION No. 2020-044**

A motion was made by Councilman Ryan; seconded by Deputy Mayor Roman that the following resolution be adopted:

**RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE 2020 CENSUS**

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Census Bureau is required by the U.S. Constitution to conduct a count of the population and provides a historic opportunity to help shape the foundation of our society and play an active role in American democracy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Verona is committed to ensuring every resident is counted; and

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

**WHEREAS**, census data helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is necessary for an accurate and fair redistricting of state legislative seats, county and municipal councils, and voting districts; and

**WHEREAS**, information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey are vital tools for economic development and increased employment; and

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

**WHEREAS**, a united voice from business, government, community-based and faith-based organizations, educators, media and others will enable the 2020 Census message to reach more of our citizens.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau and the State of New Jersey and will:

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

**ROLL CALL:**

**AYES: McGrath, Ryan, Roman, McEvoy**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT: Giblin**

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA AT THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 27, 2020.**

  
**JENNIFER KIERNAN  
MUNICIPAL CLERK**

