

WHEREAS, 2010 is the year of the twenty-third Census of the United States; and

WHEREAS, a census is required by the Constitution of the United States of America, and is used for the apportionment of representation in the U.S. House of Representatives and the distribution of federal services and resources; and

WHEREAS, data from the U.S. Census is used at the local level for major planning efforts including schools, hospitals, and roads, and for the fair apportionment of legislative and municipal voting districts; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Census workers are sworn to protect the confidentiality of individuals' information; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 U.S. Census questionnaire is one of the shortest in history and should take no more than 15 minutes to complete;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wake County Board of Education expresses its full support of the U.S. Census and strongly encourages Wake County citizens to promptly complete and return their census questionnaires on Census Day, April 1, 2010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Wake County Board of Education directs the staff and administration of the Wake County Public School System to continue its efforts, in concert with the other municipalities and agencies within Wake County, to support the 2010 U.S. Census.

Approved and adopted this sixteenth day of February 2010,