

Bergen County, New Jersey

Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The US 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 Borough of Westwood 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

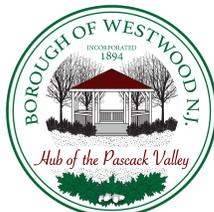
WHEREAS, information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey are vital tools for economic development and increased employment; and

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 PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Westwood is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau and the State of New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Governing Body will support the goals and ideals for the 2020 Census and disseminate 2020 Census information; encourage all Westwood residents to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation; support Census advocates as they present to Borough and Community organizations; and support Census takers as they strive to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons within Westwood's borders.



ATTEST:

Raymond Arroyo

Ray Arroyo, Mayor

January 21, 2020