RESOLUTION NUMBER 676-2018

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF THATCHER, GRAHAM COUNTY, ARIZONA, TO SUPPORT THE 2020 CENSUS, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2020 CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE, AND TO ENCOURAGE EVERY PERSON TO BE COUNTED

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution requires a census of the population of our nation every ten years; and,

WHEREAS, the census information is used to determine the number of seats the State of Arizona has in the United States House of Representatives and to determine state and local legislative districts; and,

WHEREAS, individual census records are confidential for 72 years, are protected under Title 13 of the United States Code and will not be shared with immigration or law enforcement agencies; and,

WHEREAS, having an accurate and complete census count is important to the City of Safford in determining Federal and State aids and grants, economic development, housing assistance, transportation improvements and many other uses; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Thatcher is concerned about historically undercounted populations including young children, young adults, elderly, immigrants, migrants, non-English speakers and homeless; and recognizes that language, culture, trust and other social barriers have historically impeded some people from participating in the census; and

WHEREAS, an accurate census count cannot be achieved without local involvement and support, and Complete Count Committees are a core strategic element of the Census Bureau to promote the census; and,

WHEREAS, Complete Count Committees exist to plan and implement locally-based outreach campaigns that raise awareness of the Census and are comprised of trusted voices in the community.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Thatcher, Arizona as follows:

<u>SECTION 1</u>: The Town Council recognizes the importance of the 2020 Census and hereby establishes the City's participation in the regional Graham County Complete Count Committee.

SECTION 2: The Town Council further resolves that every Town of Thatcher resident counts and deserves to be counted.

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PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Thatcher this 15 th day of October 2018.	
	Robert Rivera, Mayor
ATTEST: Suchelle Grotensen Michelle Mortensen Deputy Town Clerk	APPROVED AS TO FORM: Matthew Clifford Town Attorney
STATE OF ARIZONA)) ss County of Graham)	
CERTIFICATION	
I HEREBY CERTIFY, that the foregoing Resolution Number 676-2018 was duly passed and adopted by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Thatcher, Graham County, Arizona, at a Council Meeting held October 15, 2018. A quorum was present at the meeting.	
Gnichelle Gnortenson Deputy Town Clerk	10[15][8] Date: