

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Directors

DATE: February 21, 2020

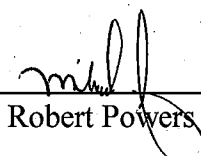
FROM: General Manager

RE: Resolution in Support of United States Census 2020

At the request of Director Foley and in response to Roll Call for Information Item (19-826), attached is a proposed resolution in support of United States Census 2020.

The 2020 Census will count the nation's population and households, providing the basis for reapportioning congressional seats, redistricting, and distributing billions of dollars in federal funds annually to support state and local programs such as housing, education, transportation, employment, and health care.

If you have any questions, please contact Rodd Lee, Assistant General Manager of External Affairs, at (510) 464-6235.

 for

Robert Powers

cc: Board Appointed Officers
Deputy General Manager
Executive Staff

BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

In the Matter of Support of
United States Census 2020

Resolution No. _____

WHEREAS, the United States Census Bureau is required by the United States Constitution to conduct a count of the population every ten years; and

WHEREAS, accurate 2020 Census data are essential to fairly apportion the seats each state will have in the United States House of Representatives and redraw these voting district boundaries, as well as state legislative seats, county, city and special districts, like the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District.

WHEREAS, billions of dollars per year in federal and state funding are allocated to communities, and decisions are made on matters of national and local importance based on census data, including healthcare, housing, education, transportation, social services, employment and much more; and

WHEREAS, essential neighborhood resources throughout the Bay Area rely on federal funding that is based on information collected during the Census; and

WHEREAS, the Census creates hundreds of thousands of jobs across our nation thereby improving local economies; and

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

WHEREAS, for the aforementioned reasons, a complete and accurate census count is essential to the well-being of our state and all Bay Area residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District that it hereby recognizes the importance of the 2020 Census and supports participation in helping to ensure a complete, fair, and accurate count.

Adopted on _____, 2020