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The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader
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The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Democratic Leader
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The Honorable Ron Johnson
Chair, Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

The Honorable Gary C. Peters
Ranking Member, Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

The Honorable Richard Shelby
Chair, Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Patrick Leahy
Ranking Member, Appropriations Committee

The Honorable Jerry Moran
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen
Ranking Member, Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

Dear Leaders McConnell and Schumer, Chairs Johnson, Shelby, and Moran, and Ranking Members Peters, Leahy, and Shaheen,

We write to ask your strong and urgent action to avoid unnecessarily and severely disrupting the ongoing decennial census. Enshrined in the US Constitution, the decennial census is a cornerstone of our democracy and informs our governance, commerce, and daily life. The importance of a fair and accurate census cannot be overstated.

Given the importance of the 2020 census, we specifically request your swift response to realize the following:

1. Grant the US Census Bureau's spring request for a 120-day extension of the legal deadline for delivering decennial census data to the president and states in consideration

of necessary adjustments due to COVID-19, regardless of the fact that the bureau has since rescinded the request

2. Restore the data-collection timeline put in place by the bureau following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic— namely October 31, 2020—for the field data collection and self-response options

There is no scientific rationale to curtail the data-collection period for this constitutionally mandated activity, and the premature cessation of census enumeration will produce flawed counts.

Since its founding in 1839, the American Statistical Association (ASA) has worked to ensure scientific objectivity in the decennial census, and the ASA continues its steadfast support of the Census Bureau with our recent statements and this letter. In summary, we call for the Senate's leadership to allow the US Census Bureau career professionals to conduct a fair and impartial census and thereby continue to maintain scientific integrity in data collection and use, honoring their commitment to the nation.

Sincerely,

Robert Santos
2021 ASA President