JOINT RESOLUTION 2S

WHEREAS, the Associated Students of the University of New Mexico (ASUNM) Government is the representative body of the undergraduate students; and

WHEREAS, the United States (U.S.) 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 2020 U.S. Census will determine congressional representation and the allocation of hundreds of billions in federal funding, as well as provide data that will impact communities for the next decade; and

WHEREAS, the University of New Mexico (UNM) is committed to ensuring every resident is counted; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 U.S. Census is more than a population count but an opportunity to shape the future of our community; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Census happens every ten (10) years and informs federal funding for more than one-hundred (100) programs, including education such as Pell Grants, mental health support, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and student loans; and

WHEREAS, information from the 2020 U.S. Census is vital for economic development and increased employment; and

WHEREAS, the information collected by the U.S. Census is confidential and protected by law; and

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WHEREAS, a unified voice from students, faculty, staff, and community members will enable the 2020 U.S. Census message to reach more of our population; and

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that ASUNM supports the goals and ideals for the 2020 U.S. Census and will disseminate 2020 U.S. Census information; and

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that ASUNM encourages all people to participate in events and initiatives that will raise the overall awareness of the 2020 U.S. Census and increase participation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that ASUNM supports U.S. Census takers as they help our community complete an accurate count; and

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that ASUNM strives to achieve a complete and accurate count of all persons within the purview of the University; and

NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham, U.S. Senator Tom Udall, U.S. Senator Martin Heinrich, U.S. Representative Deb Haaland, UNM Board of Regents, UNM President Garnett Stokes, UNM Vice President of Student Affairs Eliseo “Cheo” Torres, UNM Dean of Students Nasha Torrez, UNM Chief Marketing and Communications Officer Cinnamon Blair, UNM Marketing Director Ethan Rule, UNM Anderson School of Management Marketing Department, UNM Athletic Department, UNM Alumni Association, and UNM Student Body.

Adopted by the Associated Students of the University of New Mexico on this 20th day of November
Adam Biederwolf, ASUNM President

Madelyn Lucas, ASUNM Vice President

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