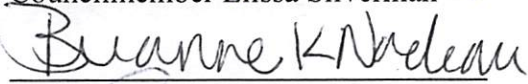

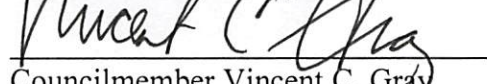


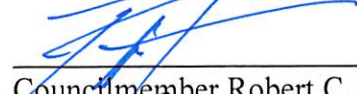
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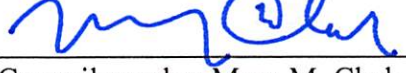
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22 A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

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25 IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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30 To declare the sense of the Council that the Council strongly opposes the reinstatement of a  
31 question regarding citizenship status on the mandatory short-form 2020 census as  
32 requested by the Trump Administration in December 2017 and views the national census  
33 as a decennial event that is to account for all residents in this country, regardless of their  
34 background or immigration status.

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36 RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
37 resolution may be cited as the "Sense of the Council to Preserve the Integrity of Our National  
38 Census Count Resolution of 2018".

39 Sec. 2. The Council finds that:

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40 (1) The U.S. Census Bureau, as required by Article 1, Section 2 of the United  
41 States Constitution, shall perform an official count of the total number of individuals residing in  
42 this country, every ten years, regardless of their citizenship or immigration status.

43 (2) The national census, which is the most important tool for determining the total  
44 U.S. population and the authoritative source on all matters regarding our national make-up, cannot  
45 use any means of estimation or statistical modeling to determine the population size and therefore  
46 requires the participation of all heads of household to record information about the individuals  
47 living in their homes.

48 (3) On March 26, 2018, the U.S. Secretary of Commerce issued a memorandum  
49 in which he stated that he was directing the Census Bureau to include a citizenship question on  
50 the 2020 census form at the request of the U.S. Department of Justice.

51 (4) This discriminatory decision sets a moral precedent under which  
52 undocumented and legal immigrants alike are highly unlikely to participate in the 2020 Census,  
53 which would lead to a catastrophic miscount of the number of individuals who live in the U.S.  
54 and rely on publicly funded services in their day-to-day lives, ultimately undermining our census  
55 data.

56 (5) A question regarding citizenship already appears on smaller and more  
57 frequently distributed population surveys such as the American Community Survey (annual) and  
58 the Current Population Survey (monthly), whose results do not have grave effects on federal  
59 policy, districting laws, congressional representation, or the apportionment of federal funds to  
60 the fifty states and our districts and territories.

61                   (6) Although the reinstatement of a citizenship question has been represented as a  
62 method to protect the voting rights granted to U.S. citizens in the Voting Rights Act, this action  
63 is deliberate subterfuge and a symbolic attack on already marginalized communities.

64                   (7) As a sanctuary city, the District of Columbia is fully committed to protecting  
65 the rights of all its residents, regardless of their citizenship or immigration status, and joins 17  
66 states, six cities, and the U.S. Conference of Mayors in a lawsuit to ensure that a citizenship  
67 question does not appear on the 2020 census.

68                   Sec. 3. It is the sense of the Council that the Council firmly opposes the reinstatement of  
69 the citizenship question on the national census and refuses to adopt an attitude of indifference or  
70 tolerance when the rights of Washingtonians and Americans everywhere are being threatened by  
71 outright acts of hatred and bigotry.

72                   Sec. 4. The Council of the District of the District shall transmit a copy of this resolution,  
73 upon its adoption, to the Mayor, the City Administrator, and the Executive Director of the  
74 Mayor's Office on Community Affairs.

75                   Sec. 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.