

# The State of Washington



## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*, more than \$800 billion per year in federal and state funding is allocated to states and communities based on census data; and

*WHEREAS*, an accurate census count is vital to the determining where to locate schools, child care centers, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and for making decisions concerning business growth and housing needs; and

*WHEREAS*, census data ensures fair Congressional representation in the U.S. House of Representatives and in redistricting state legislatures, county and city councils, and school and voting districts; and

*WHEREAS*, the 2020 Census will create jobs in communities; and

*WHEREAS*, there are widespread concerns about the funding, questions, and preparedness of the federal census effort;

*NOW, THEREFORE*, I, Jay Inslee, Governor of the state of Washington, do hereby proclaim October 8, 2018 as

### *Census 2020 Awareness Day*

in Washington, and I encourage all people in our state to join me in this special observance.

Signed this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 2018

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jay Inslee".

Governor Jay Inslee

