



**PROCLAMATION
2010 Census Partner**

WHEREAS an accurate census count is vital to our community and residents' well-being by helping planners determine where to locate schools, day-care center, roads and public transportation, hospitals and other facilities, and is used to make decisions concerning business growth and housing needs;

WHEREAS more than 300 billion dollars per year in federal and state funding is allocated to states and communities based on census data;

WHEREAS census data ensures fair Congressional representation by determining how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives as well as the redistricting of state legislatures, county and city councils, and voting districts;

WHEREAS the 2010 Census creates jobs that stimulate economic growth and increase employment opportunities in our community;

WHEREAS the information collected by the census is protected by law and remains confidential for 72 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, WE the Mason County Board of Commissioners, hereby proclaim that Mason County is committed to partnering with the U.S. Census Bureau to help ensure a full and accurate count in 2010.

Signed this 16th day of June 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Handwritten signature of Tim Sheldon in black ink.

Tim Sheldon, Chair

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of Lynda Ring Erickson in black ink.

Lynda Ring Erickson, Commissioner

Handwritten signature of Shannon Goudy in black ink.

Shannon Goudy, Clerk of the Board

Handwritten signature of Ross Gallagher in black ink.

Ross Gallagher, Commissioner