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Gary Christenson, Mayor

August 11, 2020

The Honorable City Council
Malden City Hall
215 Pleasant Street
Malden, MA 02148

Dear Members of the Council:

I write to voice my full support of City Councillor Stephen Winslow's Resolve entitled *Resolve of the Malden City Council Regarding U.S. Census Bureau's Decision to End Field Data Collection*.

I believe that the Trump Administration's August 3rd decision to move the Census completion deadline from October to September was wrong. The COVID19 pandemic has tremendously limited the ability to reach residents. As all field operations have been shut down, it has been a real challenge to reach our hard to count individuals.

I would strongly urge our federal legislators to do all they can to reverse this decision and extend the deadline to the end of December 2020. The September deadline will no doubt result in fewer of our residents being counted, thus providing less resources for our city.

Sincerely,



GARY CHRISTENSON
Mayor, City of Malden