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Supreme Court decision on 2020 Census a disappointment

**Statement of Common Council President Cavalier Johnson
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Yesterday, the Supreme Court issued an order suspending a lower court's decision and allowing field operations to end for the 2020 Census. This decision is incredibly disappointing and in the end only hurts our residents. The prospect that tens of thousands of households might not be counted will impact funding for local communities to provide critical services, hamper our ability to ensure fair and equal representation within the U.S. House of Representatives and in election wards, and will adversely affect communities of color who are traditionally undercounted.

The Census Bureau announced it will keep accepting responses online at www.My2020Census.gov through Oct. 15 until 11:59 p.m. Hawaii time (4:59 a.m. CST on Friday, October 16). The bureau also set Oct. 15 as the postmark deadline for paper forms, as well as the end date for collecting phone responses by calling 1-844-330-2020. I encourage those who have not yet responded to do so today.

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