July 1, 2020

"If you don't get counted you will not count."

-Stacey Abrams

Dear City,

This letter is short and city-specific.

But first: COVID. The virus hasn't gone anywhere. The virus hasn't abated. The virus has, in very unfortunate ways, become part of a new lifestyle. So please— wear masks in public, physically distance, wash your hands, AND minimize your exposure to overall risk. It simplifies contact tracing if you test positive (fewer social contacts to trace), it subdues the spread, and it helps protect my 89-year-old mother. Who can whip almost anything.

Residents, neighbors, citizens and friends: Fill out The Census.

Mayors of Dekalb County are working hard to get part of the funding the state just received specific to this health emergency. How will that dollar distribution be calculated?

By population. By the number of people who got counted as a PL resident.

Back in 2019 each city started receiving a percentage of cumulative sales tax for transportation projects (SPLOST: Special Project Local Option Sales Tax). How is Pine Lake's share tallied?

Correct. Number of residents in our city.

JUST two high-impact examples that affect everything from potholes to PPE. Councilperson Brantley has been working as our Census liaison and you've seen her posts and emails. You may have gotten my robocall. We will continue to spread the word and emphasize the critical importance of completing this simple task.

Use your smartphone or tablet and go to my2020census.gov and complete your census. Or you can call 844-330-2020. It only takes 10 minutes.

Be safe. Be counted.

Your Mayor,

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Pine Lake City Council Meetings - Zoom - second and last Tuesday at 7:00 PM
Conference line: 1 (929) 205 6099
Meeting ID: 813 0156 9377

PL COVID-19 webpage: https://www.pinelakega.net/Covid19Updates.aspx
Georgia COVID-19 hotline: 1-844-442-2681.

https://www.dekalbhealth.net/covid-19dekalb/

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