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PROFESIONALES Y ESTUDIANTES COLOMBIANOS EN EL EXTERIOR

Ms. Liliana C. Melo
32-43 88th Street
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Re: Thank you.

Dear Ms. Melo:

Thank you for becoming an official 2010 Census partner and for signing on to promote and endorse the 2010 Census. PROFESIONALES Y ESTUDIANTES COLOMBIANOS EN EL EXTERIOR PECX, will help guarantee the success of this monumental event and ensure no one is left uncounted. As partners, achieving a complete and accurate 2010 Census is in our hands.

Your contributions as a 2010 Census partner are important because:

Every year, more than \$ 400 billion in federal funds are awarded to states and communities based on census data. That's, more than \$ 4 trillion distributed over a 10-year period.

Census data guide local decision-makers in important community planning efforts, including where to build new roads, hospitals and schools.

Census data affect your voice in Congress. The census determines 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.

As we discussed, the U.S. Census Bureau is offering information and materials to help you promote participation in the 2010 Census and provide accurate information to your staff members, associates and the community that you serve.

If there are other resources I can provide to assist with promoting Census education during activities as a 2010 Census partner, please don't hesitate to ask. As the 2010 Census draws closer, you will receive updates about 2010 Census news and activities of interest to your organization, as well as your customers and/or members.

The Census Bureau is looking for collaboration with your organization. We kindly urge you to send us a copy of your 2009-2010 schedule of upcoming events. The inclusion of the Census in these events is much appreciated.

Thank you again for the support. We appreciate your commitment to a complete and accurate 2010 Census.

Sincerely,

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