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Dear Resident:

The U.S. Census Bureau is conducting the American Community Survey. A Census Bureau representative will contact you to help you complete the survey. The survey will ask you questions about your household's characteristics, including such topics as education, employment, and housing. I would appreciate your help, because the success of this survey depends on you.

The American Community Survey produces critical up-to-date information that is used to meet the needs of communities across the United States. For example, results from this survey may be used to decide where new schools, hospitals, and fire stations are needed. Survey data are used by federal, state, local, and tribal governments to make decisions and to develop programs that will provide health care, education, and transportation services that affect you and your community. This survey information also helps communities plan for emergency situations that might affect you and your neighbors.

The Census Bureau chose your address, not you personally, as part of a randomly selected sample. You are required by U.S. law to respond to this survey (Title 13, United States Code, Sections 141, 193, and 221). We estimate this survey will take about 30 minutes of your time.

I want to emphasize that any information you give our representative will be kept confidential. By law, the Census Bureau cannot publish or release to anyone any information that would identify you or your household (Title 13, Section 9). The information you provide can be used only for statistical purposes.

If you have access to the internet and want to learn more about the American Community Survey, please visit our website at www.census.gov/acs/www/.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely, Charles Louis Kincannon Director, U.S. Census Bureau