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Stand Up and Be Counted!

Plainfield, IL -- The United States Census Bureau is conducting the Decennial Census and residents should receive their 2010 Census Questionnaire in March. Questionnaires will be delivered via U.S. Mail and residents are encouraged to complete the form and return it promptly. Everyone's participation is important to insure an accurate and complete count!

Completing the 2010 Census Questionnaire is easy to do. It is one of the shortest census forms in history with only 10 questions that take about 10 minutes to complete. All responses are confidential. Once you have completed the form, simply return it to the Census Bureau via mail. Households that do not return a questionnaire will be visited by a census representative who will conduct a brief interview.

Census data is used in a variety of ways including for the distribution of more than \$400 billion annually in federal funds to state and local governments. The Village of Plainfield receives approximately \$100 per resident on an annual basis. Census data is also used to assist state and local governments in planning and implementing programs and services in education, healthcare, transportation, social services, and emergency response.

In 2000, when the last Decennial Census was taken, the Village had a population of 13,038. Based upon the 2007 Special Census, the Village of Plainfield had a population of 37,334 people. Since then we have welcomed many new residents to the community and the results of the 2010 Census will bring additional revenues and resources to the community. An accurate accounting of the population is only possible with everyone's cooperation. Please stand up and be counted!

For more information on the 2010 Census, visit www.2010census.gov.

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