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The Honorable Brian Schatz
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Schatz,

I write in support of Census Federal Advisory Committee on Transparency and Standards Act (the Census FACTS Act), your bill to appoint an expert, nonpartisan Federal advisory committee. The American Statistical Association strongly supports the bill's objectives to evaluate and advise Congress on the independence and scientific integrity of the Census Bureau and the decennial census; the plan of the Census Bureau to deliver the most accurate figures and data; and recommendations to ensure that future decennial censuses are nonpartisan, full, fair, and accurate.

Let me also take this opportunity to thank you for your work and leadership in support of the US Census Bureau and the decennial census over the last several years. Your tireless and devoted efforts have been truly outstanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ron Wasserstein'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Ron Wasserstein
Executive Director