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Lansing Population Increases for Fourth Straight Year

Mayor Bernero: Lansing on the Right Track

(LANSING) – According to the latest population estimates released by the U.S. Census Bureau, Lansing’s population grew by 1,111 to 116,020 residents as of July 1, 2016 – the fourth increase in as many years. Mayor Bernero hailed the news as a continuing affirmation that “Lansing is on the right track.”

“These new population statistics validate everything we have been doing to create a stronger, more vibrant city, one that acts as a beacon for new residents and new investments that create jobs and strengthen our tax base,” Mayor Bernero said. “Thanks to my incredible team at City Hall and our amazing partners across the city, we truly are building Lansing’s future together.”

The Census Bureau statistics indicate that among Michigan’s largest cities, Lansing’s population grew by nearly one percent (.97%) compared to the previous year, second only to Ann Arbor (1.7%) and ahead of third-place Grand Rapids (.69%). Major cities in Michigan that lost population from 2015 to 2016 included Flint (-.77%), Dearborn (-.65%), Detroit (-.52%), Livonia (-.51%), Westland (-.44%), Farmington Hills (-.15%), Warren (-.14%) and Southfield (-.05%). Population increases were also noted in Troy (.53%), Wyoming (.43%), Sterling Heights (.32%), Rochester Hills (.10%) and Kalamazoo (.04%).

“After decades of declining population, Lansing has clearly turned the corner toward a new era of growth and opportunity for all,” Bernero said. “Our job in the years ahead is to keep the momentum going and to keep striving to make Lansing one of the great Midwestern capital cities.”

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