Dear Editor,

Thank you for the considerations regarding the research article “Correlation between mean body mass index in the population and prevalence of obesity in Brazilian capitals: empirical evidence for a population-based approach of obesity”. The answers to your requests are listed below.

1.) Consent statement. For this type of survey there is no need to obtain informed consent for using data for research purposes. We added the following paragraph in the Methods section to explain the ethical considerations: “In Brazil all censuses and surveys are conducted by the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics under the Federal Law number 5534 from November 14, 1968, which guarantees strict secrecy of information gathered and its use only for statistical purposes”

2.) Line Numbering. We included the line numbers.

I hope that we have incorporated your considerations.