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## Toronto Local Pays Respects for Lost Postal Workers

Media Advisory

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**TORONTO** - On Wednesday morning, representatives of the CUPW Toronto local will lay a wreath at the entrances of two area mail processing plants to commemorate postal workers fallen to the COVID-19 pandemic. Workers on shift will keep these co-workers in their thoughts as they observe a moment of silence on the work floor.

This day of mourning comes at a critical point in the pandemic that is taking the lives of front-line workers, who put themselves at greater risk in the course of their jobs. CUPW joins the call for paid sick days, an implementable and sensible measure to slow the spread of the coronavirus and reduce the death toll. We must end the pandemic. As a society we cannot leave workers to choose between playing a part in that effort and making ends meet for their families.

The mail processing plants are among many workplaces in the region at elevated risk of workplace transmission. CUPW also supports the Peel Warehouse Workers Centre, which has been advocating for better protections for warehouse workers to contain this crisis and save lives.

**When / Where:** Wednesday April 28

10 a.m. at Gateway Mail Processing Plant, 4567 Dixie Road  
(Go to the Main gate on Eglinton at Matheson - east of Dixie)

12:00 noon at South Central Mail Processing Plant, 969 Eastern  
Avenue, Toronto

NB: This is not a gathering. A small number of local executives will lay the wreath. We ask any media who cover the event to show respect by observing social distancing and other precautions – thank you!

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For more information, CUPW media at [media@cupw-sttp.org](mailto:media@cupw-sttp.org) or 613-882-2742