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October 7, 2014

Honourable Lisa Raitt
Minister of Transport
Place de Ville, Tower C, 29th Floor
330 Sparks Street
Ottawa, ON
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Dear Minister Raitt:

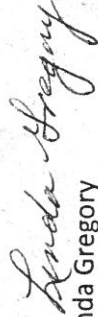
On behalf of the Municipality of the District of Digby, I am writing to advise that at our September 22nd session of Municipal Council, a resolution was unanimously approved in support of a request from the Canadian Union of Postal Workers. The request was with regard to ensuring that Canada Post does not cut services by closing or downsizing rural post offices.

Council is very concerned with keeping rural post offices open within the Municipality of the District of Digby. Rural post offices are considered the heart of a community, where residents sometimes meet to talk with their neighbour and to get information on what is happening in their community.

The government should be looking at ways to increase the services provided by rural post offices, not decreasing the service.

I look forward to hearing from you on this very important issue.

Sincerely,


Linda Gregory
Warden

Cc: Greg Kerr, MP West Nova
Brad Woodside, President Federation of Canadian Municipalities
✓ Denis Lemelin, President CUPW

RESOLUTION - SAVE CANADA POST- STOP THE CUTS

WHEREAS Canada Post and the Conservatives are taking an axe to long-treasured postal services - killing good jobs, eliminating door-to-door delivery, drastically increasing postage rates and closing, downsizing and reducing hours at rural post offices:

WHEREAS Canada Post did not properly consult on these changes, effectively eliminating any opportunity for input from the people who will be most affected; and

WHEREAS closing and downsizing post offices, reducing post office hours, and eliminating door-to-door delivery will reduce service and eliminate thousands of jobs in communities throughout our country.

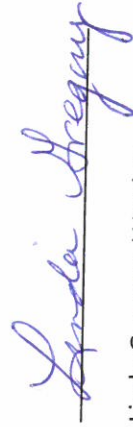
WHEREAS Canada Post offers a public service that needs to be protected;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of the District of Digby write a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post that calls on the government to reverse the changes to services announced by Canada Post, and to look instead for ways to increase service and revenues in areas such as postal banking.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of the District of Digby ask the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to request that the federal government properly consult with the public about what kind of service they need before allowing Canada Post to make such major changes to the public postal service.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted at a duly called meeting of the Municipality of the District of Digby held on the 22nd day of September, 2014.

Given under the hands of the Warden and Municipal Clerk and under the seal of the Municipality this 9th day of October, 2014



Linda Gregory, Warden



Linda Fraser, CAO/Municipal Clerk