

TOWN OF PORT SAUNDERS

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Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport Place de Ville, Tower C 29th Floor, 330 Sparks Street Ottawa, ON K1A 0N5

Dear Ms. Raitt:

At a Regular Meeting of Council held on September 29, 2014 the following motion was passed:

Motion #14-238:

M. Smith / S. Coombs

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 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 Town of Port Saunders 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 Town of Port Saunders ask the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to request that the federal government properly consult with the public about what kind of postal service they need before allowing Canada Post to make such major changes to public postal service.

All in favor. Motion carried.

If you have questions or would like to discuss further, please contact the undersigned at (709) 861-3105.

Sincerely,

Judy Quinlan

Town Clerk

cc: Denis Lemelin, President, CUPW

Gerry Byrne, MP

Brad Woodside, President, FCM