

**CONGRESS OF UNION RETIREES OF CANADA – OTTAWA AREA COUNCIL**

**182 Booth Street, Ottawa, Ontario K1R 7J4**

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January 16, 2014

Denis Lemelin, President  
Canadian Union of Postal Workers  
377 Bank Street  
Ottawa, ON  
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Dear Brother Lemelin;

At our most recent membership meeting on January 14, 2014, a resolution was unanimously adopted, following an in depth discussion, to inform CUPW of CURC – Ottawa Area Council's support for the campaign the union has embarked on to reverse the astonishing decision recently announced by Canada Post Corporation and the Federal Conservative Government to eliminate door-to-door delivery and wipe out thousands of decent union jobs as a consequence. Canada Post thus becomes the only economically developed country on the planet to decapitate this service.

CURC – Ottawa recognizes that this may well be a long-term campaign, and it is committed to continue its support for as long as it takes.

The resolution specifically included endorsement of the Ottawa "March to Save Canada Post" on Sunday, January 26, 2014. CURC Ottawa is urging its members to participate in this support action.

While other aspects of the "5 Point Program" were discussed, understandably enough there was a particular focus on the issue of the extra burden this attack entails for seniors and people with disabilities. Members expressed their disgust

at the insulting comments made by Canada Post CEO Deepak Chopra that the Community Mail Boxes replacing home delivery will allow seniors to get needed "exercise".

CURC Ottawa wishes to congratulate CUPW for initiating this campaign and for committing to join with community allies in carrying it out. Together, we can win this struggle.

Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'E. Hoogers', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Evert Hoogers, Treasurer,  
CURC – Ottawa Area Council

Cc:

Pat Kerwin, President, Congress of Union Retirees – National  
Mark Evard, CUPW National Director, Central Region