



April 28, 2014

The Honourable Lisa Raitt
Minister of Transport
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Dear Ms. Raitt,

At the regular council meeting of April 22, 2014 the announcement by Canada Post to phase out urban and home delivery over the next five years was discussed. This matter is of great concern to the Council, and consequently the following resolution was passed,

"Moved by Councillor Bondy

Seconded by Councillor Voakes

(R14-04-186) That the Notice of Motion brought forward by Councillor Bondy concerning the announcement by Canada Post that urban and home delivery will be phased out over the next five years, be received and that

"Where Canada Post and the Conservatives are taking an axe to long-treasured postal services – killing good jobs, eliminating door-to-door delivery, closing post offices and drastically increasing postage rates; and

Whereas 6,000 to 8,000 postal jobs will be destroyed and five million

households will lose door-to-door delivery over the next five years; and

Whereas these cuts will hurt seniors and people with disabilities in particular;

and

Whereas Canada Post barely held any consultations, effectively eliminating any opportunity for input from the people who will be affected; and

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

Be It Resolved that the Town of Essex write a letter to the Minister Responsible for Canada Post, Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport 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; and that this letter be forwarded to local MP's and MPP's.

Councillor Bondy requested a recorded vote.

Councillor Bondy – Support

Councillor Voakes – Support

Councillor Scott – Support

Councillor Bowman – Opposed

Councillor Baker – Opposed

Deputy Mayor Meloche – Support

Mayor McDermott – Opposed

With a recorded vote of four in support and three opposed resolution (R14-04-186) is "Carried" "

We ask that on behalf of all Canadians that the postal services be protected.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cheryl A. Bondy".

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