



June 9, 2014

The Honourable Lisa Raitt,  
Minister of Transport  
Place de Ville, Tower C  
29<sup>th</sup> Floor, 330 Sparks Street  
Ottawa ON K1A 0N5

Dear Minister:

**Re: Door to Door Delivery, Canada Post**

Niagara Falls City Council recently considered and endorsed the attached resolution to preserve door-to-door postal service and requesting greater public consultation on issues and changes to Canada Post.

As outlined, the elimination of door-to-door service will be especially difficult for seniors and those with mobility issues in our community. Small businesses especially rely on door-to-door service, and postal delivery persons often perform an important needed community service, identifying vulnerable people in need.

Your consideration of the attached resolution is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,

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City Clerk

- c. The Honorable Rob Nicholson, Minister of National Defence, M.P., Niagara Falls  
David Lemelin, President, Canadian Union of Postal Workers ✓  
Claude Dauphin, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities

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## **ELIMINATION OF DOOR -TO - DOOR DELIVERY**

**WHEREAS** Canada Post announced on December 11, 2013 that it plans to convert all door to door delivery to community mailbox (CMB) delivery;

**WHEREAS** community mailboxes are susceptible to vandalism, and have additional problems in terms of safety, accessibility, litter, snow build-up and the environment;

**WHEREAS** going to CMB delivery would be especially hard on seniors and people with disabilities and could undermine their ability to live independently and their health and safety;

**WHEREAS** door-to-door delivery helps build strong communities by providing a service that supports local businesses and residents;

**WHEREAS** there has been very little consultation over this major change in mail delivery;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Niagara Falls City Council send a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post that:

- 1) informs the Minister that the Niagara Falls City Council wants to keep and expand door-to-door delivery
- 2) requests that the government consult with Canadians about what kind of postal service they need before allowing Canada Post to make major changes to public postal service.

### **MAILING INFORMATION**

Please send your resolution to: Lisa Raitt, Minister of Transport, Place de Ville, Tower C, 29th Floor, 330 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0N5

Please send copies of your resolution to:

Denis Lemelin, President, Canadian Union of Postal Workers, 377 Bank Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K2P 1Y3

Your Member of Parliament. You can get you MP's name, phone number and address by calling 1-800-463-6868 (at no charge) or going to the Parliament of Canada website: <http://www.parl.gc.ca/common/index.asp?Language=E>.

Claude Dauphin, President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities, 24 Clarence St, Ottawa, Ontario K1N 5P3

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