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Hon. Lisa Raitt,
Min. of Transport
Place de Ville, Tower C, 29th floor
330 Sparks Street,
Ottawa, Ontario
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RE: Canada Post change in service

The members of Carleton Mississippi-Mills (CMM) NDP Riding Association write in regards to changes in services announced by Canada Post. Our Riding encompasses Kanata, Ontario, and numerous other communities.

I am sure you are fully aware that individuals who reside in Kanata are the first in line to lose home delivery. This announced change in service came as a complete surprise to residents.

CMM NDP Riding Association recognizes the significant changes in mailing patterns, especially over the past few years. We also understand that such changes will have an impact on the revenue stream.

Tuesday January 28th, it was reported by the Toronto Star that you informed opposition MPs challenging Canada Post's plan to cease home delivery operations to "get with reality". With all due respect Ms. Raitt, the reality is Canadians expect the government to act on our behalf, to protect and enhance our services, and consult with us when such a significant service change is being contemplated.

Canada Post has a mail delivery monopoly as granted by the Parliament of Canada. As such, Canada Post has a duty to consult. We believe it is unconscionable that a corporation, as significant as Canada Post, would not engage in consultation with its customers before making radical changes to its service model.

The CMM NDP Riding Association passed a motion to send this letter, calling on the government;

- To consult with Canadians about the kind of postal service they need and can afford, before allowing Canada Post to make unilateral changes without public consultation;
- To reverse the changes to services announced by Canada Post and look for service alternatives and mechanisms to increase revenues.

We look forward to a speedy response.

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