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The Honourable Lisa Raitt Minister of Transport Transport Canada 330 Sparks Street Ottawa, ON **K1A 0N5**

Re: Resolution – Door-To-Door Mail Delivery

At its meeting held on May 5, 2014, Sarnia City Council adopted the following resolution with respect to Door-To-Door Mail 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 City of Sarnia send a letter to the Minister responsible for Canada Post that:

- 1) informs the Minister that the City of Sarnia 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.

We look forward to a favourable response to this important community issue.

Sincerely,

Brian W. Knott City Solicitor/Clerk

Cc: CUPW Local 598