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**RESOLUTION OF THE NYC CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL, AFL-CIO, IN
SUPPORT OF FINANCIAL RELIEF FOR THE UNITED STATES POSTAL
SERVICE**

Adopted: Wednesday, June 3, 2020

Whereas, the United States Postal Service, which receives no taxpayer money, funding itself on the sale of stamps and services, while carrying out universal mail service to all Americans, 159 million addresses, six days a week, is in an emergency financial crisis because of the negative impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on its revenue,

Whereas, because of the massive reduction in revenue, the Postal Service is in danger of running out of funds this September, and will, therefore, be unable to continue providing essential services to the people of the United States, such as the delivery of 1.2 billion medical prescriptions each year,

Whereas, financial relief of \$25 billion for the Postal Service to be able to survive passed the current crisis, was included in the initial draft of the Cares Act, but was eliminated from the legislation when President Trump threatened that he would not sign any legislation that contained relief for the Postal Service in the form of grants,

Whereas, the final Cares Act did include a \$10 billion line of credit for the Postal Service, but after the legislation was signed by President Trump, he stated that he would not allow the Postal Service to borrow the \$10 billion unless it raised the prices on packages 400-500%,

Whereas, the most recent stimulus package passed by the House of Representative, the Heroes Act, contains \$25 billion in relief for the Postal Service and a no-strings credit line of \$10 billion to enable the Postal Service to meet this financial crisis and survive past the Pandemic and exist as a service for the American people for generations to come,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the NYC Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, which represents more than 300 unions and 1.3 million members throughout the City of New York, understands the importance of the public Postal Service to all Americans and the need for it to survive this crisis for generations to come; and

Be It Resolved that the NYC Central Labor Council understands that the Postal Service employs over 600,000 workers represented by four unions, and its closing would be devastating to this workforce;

Be It Resolved that the New York City Central Labor Council will encourage all member unions to ask their members to support the public Postal Service by calling their two Senators and requesting immediate financial relief for the Postal Service, and ask their friends, relatives and co-workers to do the same with their two Senators, especially those who live in rural states.

Submitted by New York Metro Area Postal Union, American Postal Workers Union (APWU)

