

PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED

Reverse the Cost-Cutting of Canada Post

We, the undersigned, citizens of Canada, draw the attention of the House of Commons to the following:

WHEREAS Universal service, affordable rates, frequent and reliable deliveries, convenient access to postal services, and secure delivery are all protected in the Canada Postal Service Charter;

WHEREAS the aforementioned necessities have all become threatened by the Five Point Plan released by Canada Post in December 2013;

WHEREAS Canada Post employed 71,000 Canadians and delivered 10 billion pieces of mail to Canadians from coast to coast to coast in 2012;

WHEREAS The Five Point Plan also calls for the elimination of home delivery for five million households, a drastic increase in stamp rates, and the elimination of 6000 to 8000 employees over the next five years;

WHEREAS Phasing out home delivery will adversely impact seniors and people with disabilities;

WHEREAS Increasing stamp fees to 85¢ will pose a significant burden to small businesses and charities in Canada, which rely on Canada Post for their day-to-day and fundraising operations;

WHEREAS Existing models in other nations have maintained postal service by diversifying what they offered instead of severely cutting service

WHEREAS Canada Post explored alternative solutions that would have helped to address revenue shortfalls, such as offering postal banking services in post offices, but rejected them in favour of severe austerity measures;

THEREFORE, YOUR PETITIONERS call on the House of Commons to reverse and reject Canada Post’s Five Point Plan, and explore creative and alternative measures to raise revenues, such as offering postal banking services.

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