Cuts Will Destroy Mail Service!

In January, the Postmaster General and USPS Board of Governors made devastating cuts in service to the American people – cuts so severe they will forever damage the U.S. Postal Service.

- On Jan. 5, the USPS lowered “service standards” to virtually eliminate overnight delivery – including first-class mail from one address to another within the same city or town.
- All mail (medicine, online purchases, local newspapers, newsletters, bill payments, letters and invitations) throughout the country are being delayed.
- 82 mail sorting centers are scheduled to close soon.

These policies reflect the same misguided thinking that’s behind efforts to end Saturday and door-to-door deliveries, cut back post office hours and make other reductions in mail service.

Degrading service hurts residents, small businesses and communities across the country – and it will eventually destroy the Postal Service itself by driving mail away.

These cutbacks are unnecessary. The Postal Service, which doesn’t use a dime of taxpayer money, is profitable. In fiscal year 2014, the USPS earned $1.4 billion in operating profit, and its finances have been improving for years.

The red ink stems from Congress, which requires the Postal Service to pre-fund future retiree health benefits – something no other public agency or private firm has to do. That costs the Postal Service $5.6 billion a year – and that’s the red ink.

You Can Stop This!

Lawmakers need to fix the problem they created – not force you to accept substandard service while destroying a national treasure that is based in the Constitution.

In 2014, 51 senators and 178 House members have called for a one-year moratorium on the reduction in service and the closure or consolidation of 82 mail processing centers – to allow Congress time to enact postal legislation that would improve, not degrade, postal service.

Call your representative and senators at 1-877-662-2889 (the Capitol Hill switchboard) and tell them to support the moratorium, so the U.S. Postal Service can continue to serve your community.

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