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Resolution Opposing Privatization of the Postal Service Introduced in Congress

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07/26/2018 - On July 16, a leading group of Congressional representatives took action to help combat a proposal to privatize the Postal Service. The proposal, put forward by the White House's Office of Management and Budget in their report <u>Delivering Government</u> <u>Solutions in the 21st Century</u>, would "restructure the U.S. Postal Service" and "prepare it for future conversion from a government agency into a privately-held corporation."

APWU thanks the bipartisan group of representatives for introducing <u>House Resolution</u> 993 in response to this attack. The resolution calls on Congress to take all appropriate measures to ensure that the United States Postal Service remains an independent

establishment of the Federal Government and not be subject to privatization.

The resolution was introduced by Rodney Davis (R-IL) and Stephen Lynch (D-MA) and co-sponsored by Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA), Paul Cook (R-CA), Brian Mast (R-FL), Don Young (R-AK), Cedric Richmond (D-LA), Stephanie Murphy (D-FL), Dave Loebsack (D-IA) and Marcia Fudge (D-OH).

"We will fight back against any attempt to privatize the Postal Service," said APWU President Mark Dimondstein. "This is yet another attempt by corporate interests to pad their pockets and rob the public of affordable and universal mail delivery."

Members of Congress will be starting their summer recess in August. "We urge all APWU members to meet with your representative and express the urgency of them becoming a co-sponsor of this resolution and oppose the privatization of the Postal Service," said Legislative and Political Director Judy Beard.