

Legislative and Political Committee
Recommendation No. 07

**Based On
Resolution**

Proposed By: National Executive Board
Bobby Blum, Local 300
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Oppose USPS Plans to Dismantle the Postal Service

WHEREAS, the U.S. Postal Service was established in the United States Constitution to provide universal communication accessible to and for the benefit of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, in response to recent financial difficulties, the Postal Service has embarked on and currently is implementing a plan to reduce service to the American people by closing or consolidating scores of mail processing facilities, reducing service standards, closing smaller post offices, cutting 200,000 career employees, restricting door-to-door delivery, and reducing residential delivery to five days per week; and

WHEREAS, these plans, if fully implemented, would dismantle a large part of the postal network and communications system that currently is the backbone of the Postal Service and its career employees; and

WHEREAS, these proposed changes will have an adverse and disproportionate effect on the poor, the elderly, rural communities, and others dependent on the Postal Service; and

WHEREAS, these plans are misguided, and if left unchallenged and unchanged, could lead to the demise of the Postal Service; and

WHEREAS, decreasing service and increasing privatization is not in the public interest;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NPMHU should take all appropriate actions to oppose all unnecessary and unreasonable cuts in service, including specifically unjustified closings and consolidations of mail processing facilities that may be proposed and/or adopted by USPS management; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NPMHU should join with other unions and membership organizations, as well as concerned citizens and community groups, to stop the reduction in universal postal services and to resist privatization by any and all lawful means possible.