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The Honorable Peter DeFazio  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Tom Reed  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Xochitl Torres Small  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Brian Fitzpatrick  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Reps. DeFazio, Reed, Torres Small, and Fitzpatrick

On behalf of the nearly 300,000 active and retired letter carriers represented by the National Association of Letter Carriers, I write to thank you for your introduction of the USPS Fairness Act (H.R. 2382).

As you know, this mandate to pre-fund retiree health benefits decades in advance has crippled the Postal Service’s finances, accounting for 100 percent of losses since 2013. It has also prevented the Postal Service from making much needed investments in its infrastructure and continues to give rise to discussions of service reductions and privatization, ideas we know you and many of your colleagues oppose.

We greatly appreciate your efforts to protect USPS, its networks, and the employees we represent. Our hope is that this critical legislation paves the way for financial stability for the Postal Service and meaningful postal reform legislation in the coming months.

Sincerely,

Fredric V. Rolando  
President