

1 [Supporting Senate Bill 316 and House Bill 630 - Postal Service Protection Act of 2013]

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3 **Resolution supporting Senate Bill 316 and House Bill 630, the Postal Service Protection**
4 **Act of 2013, and federal efforts to maintain levels of postal service provided by the**
5 **United States Postal Service.**

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7 WHEREAS, The Postal Service Protection Act of 2013 would sustain the United States
8 Postal Service (USPS) and avert unnecessary closures that hurt communities; and

9 WHEREAS, The Postal Service Protection Act of 2013 would prohibit cuts to Saturday
10 delivery, thus protecting rural communities, small businesses, and senior citizens, as well as
11 reducing the need for customers to seek other delivery options; and

12 WHEREAS, The Postal Service Protection Act of 2013 would remove burdensome
13 regulations so the USPS can manage its budget more effectively and be more competitive
14 with other delivery service providers; and

15 WHEREAS, The Postal Service Protection Act of 2013 would give serious
16 consideration to the employment status of the second largest civilian workforce in the country
17 made up of over a half a million people living and working in all of our communities, 22% of
18 which are veterans and many of them with disabilities; and

19 WHEREAS, The Postal Service Protection Act of 2013 would reinstate overnight
20 delivery standards to speed mail delivery and prevent shutdowns of mail sorting centers, and
21 protect voting by mail throughout California which is now commonplace and will remain
22 essential to our democracy; and

23 WHEREAS, The USPS has previously cut SRO delivery services which negatively
24 effects nearly two-thirds of San Francisco's 30,000 SRO residents; now, therefore, be it
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1 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges US Senator Barbara
2 Boxer and US Senator Dianne Feinstein to pass the Postal Service Protection Act of 2013,
3 sponsored by Senator Bernard Sanders, that would ensure the modernization and
4 preservation of the USPS; and, be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges US
6 Senator Barbara Boxer and US Senator Dianne Feinstein to oppose any postal reform
7 legislation that does not end the mandate requiring the USPS to pre-fund future retiree health
8 benefits, does not continue the mandate for 6-day delivery service, does not protect door to
9 door delivery, and does not provide additional oversight and transparency to the United
10 States Postal Service's plan to close, relocate, or sell 3,270 post offices; and, be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors transmit copies
12 of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the Majority
13 Leader of the Senate, to both US Senator Barbara Boxer and US Senator Dianne Feinstein,
14 and to the United States Postmaster General.

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