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Relating to proposed federal budget cuts in appropriations to the United States Postal Service and reduction in the federal cost-of-living allowance.

### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the President and Congress are presently considering reductions in federal spending in various areas; and

WHEREAS one of the reductions under consideration involves appropriations to the United States Postal Service; and

WHEREAS one of the specific proposals to reduce spending is the elimination of mail deliveries on Saturday; and

WHEREAS the elimination of these deliveries will encourage the elimination of even more postal employee jobs which have already been reduced by more than 70,000 over the past decade; and

WHEREAS the elimination of Saturday mail deliveries will be harmful to business and private users and second and third class mail users in particular; and

WHEREAS there is also under consideration a proposal to reduce the federal cost-of-living allowance which will also affect postal employees; and

WHEREAS the concept of attacking inflation through cuts in the postal service and cost-of-living allowance place a particularly heavy burden on postal employees when compared to other employees;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the President and United States Congress to refrain from eliminating Saturday mail deliveries and reducing the federal cost-of-living allowance and to explore other more equitable means by which to reduce federal spending.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jimmy Carter, President of the United States; the Honorable Robert N. Giaimo, Chairman, House Budget Committee; the Honorable Thomas L. Ashley, William M. Brodhead, James T. Broyhill, Barber B. Conable, Bill Frenzel, Richard A. Gephardt, William H. Gray, III, Marjorie S. Holt, Elizabeth Holtzman, James R. Jones, Delbert L. Latta, Jim Mattox, Norman Mineta, Bill Nelson, David R. Obey, Leon Panetta, Ralph S. Regula, Eldon D. Rudd, E. G. Shuster, Paul M. Simon, Stephen Solarz, Louis Stokes, Timothy E. Wirth, Jim Wright, members of the House Budget Committee, and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.