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TO: All House Members

FROM: Honorable Marc Gergely

DATE: August 8, 2012

SUBJECT: Co-sponsorship of Legislation:
Resolution in opposition of US House Resolution 2309

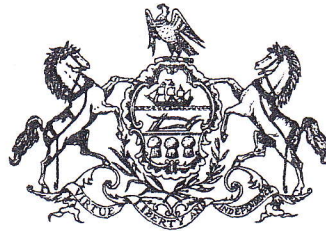
In the near future, I will be introducing a resolution urging the United States Congress to reconsider the passage of the Postal Reform Act of 2012, US House Resolution 2309.

US HR 2309 seeks to restructure the United States Postal Service (USPS) by closing post offices and sorting facilities across the nation, having serious effects on the businesses and residents served by these facilities. Not only will the economy suffer due to the elimination of a large number of positions in the USPS workforce, the mandates contained in this bill amount to a bureaucratic takeover of the postal service. Furthermore, the USPS is second only to the Department of Defense in the number of veterans it employs; providing needed jobs and benefits to members of our armed services as they return to civilian life.

The USPS provides critical services to a large number citizens, not only here in the Commonwealth, but across the nation. Small businesses rely on the daily delivery of mail in order to maintain their operations and provide service to customers in their community and beyond. By eliminating Saturday delivery, this legislation has the potential to delay the timely delivery of goods and products to the customers of small businesses, potentially driving away their business. Additionally, residents of rural communities and seniors who do not have access to the internet rely on this critical service to keep them connected to the outside world.

Passage of HR 2309 would lead to the end of the USPS as we know it, having a devastating impact on the national economy. As legislators, we must speak up on this damaging legislation, taking a stand for jobs, a healthier economy and the preservation of this crucial and valued national institution.

I hope you will join me in this important effort. If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Anne-Marie at (717) 783-1018, or at aatticks@pahouse.net.



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