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H. RES. 33

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress should take all appropriate measures to ensure that the United States Postal Service remains an independent establishment of the Federal Government and is not subject to privatization.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 9, 2019

Mr. LYNCH (for himself, Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. COOK, Mr. MAST, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. MURPHY, Ms. FUDGE, Mr. RICHMOND, Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. CONNOLLY, and Mrs. DAVIS of California) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress should take all appropriate measures to ensure that the United States Postal Service remains an independent establishment of the Federal Government and is not subject to privatization.

Whereas the United States Postal Service is a constitutionally mandated service per article I, section 8, clause 7 of the Constitution;

Whereas the United States Postal Service is a self-sustaining, independent establishment that does not receive taxpayer funding and relies solely on revenue derived from the sale of postal services and products;

Whereas the United States Postal Service and its more than 500,000 employees are at the center of the \$1.4 trillion mailing industry, employing a total of 7.5 million Americans;

Whereas the United States Postal Service serves the needs of 157 million business and residential customers at least six days a week, maintains an affordable and universal network, and connects the country's rural, suburban, and urban communities;

Whereas the United States Postal Service is consistently the highest rated agency of the Federal Government in non-partisan opinion polls;

Whereas the United States Postal Service is the Nation's second-largest employer of military veterans;

Whereas postal employees are dedicated public servants who do more than process and deliver the Nation's mail, they serve as the eyes and ears of the Nation's communities and often respond first in situations involving health, safety, and crime in their communities;

Whereas privatization of the United States Postal Service would result in higher prices and reduced services for its customers, especially in rural communities; and

Whereas privatization of the United States Postal Service would jeopardize the booming e-commerce sector and cripple a major part of the Nation's critical infrastructure: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that Congress should take all appropriate
3 measures to ensure that the United States Postal Service

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- 2 ernment and not subject to privatization.

