BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF AMADOR, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE)	
UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE)	RESOLUTION 20-060

- **WHEREAS**, In 1789, our nation's founding fathers authorized the United States Congress to establish "Post Offices and Post Roads" to support essential communication and commerce in our country; and
- **WHEREAS**, Amador County residents and businesses heavily depend on the U.S. Postal Service to deliver mail and goods to their homes and businesses, especially in remote areas not served by commercial delivery services; and
- **WHEREAS**, The increase in online shopping in general and especially during the COVID-19 pandemic has made the Postal Service even more important to the residents of Amador County; and
- **WHEREAS**, Shelter-in-place orders required to protect the public health have increased the need for Amador County businesses to ship goods to customers who cannot visit their places of business; and
- **WHEREAS**, The County of Amador has adopted the vote-center model of voting, which requires voters to deliver or mail in their ballots; and
- **WHEREAS**, Only three in-person vote centers have been established in Amador County, and 65 percent of ballots cast in the March 2020 primary were sent through the U.S. Postal Service; and
- **WHEREAS**, Losing the ability to vote by mail would prevent many Amador County citizens from exercising their Constitutional right to vote; and
- **WHEREAS**, The breadth and scope of the COVID-19 pandemic has created an undue financial burden on the U.S. Postal Service due to lost revenues, increasing its risk of bankruptcy; and
- **WHEREAS**, While the U.S. Postal Service may need to modernize its processes and services in order to efficiently serve the public, doing so will take time and careful consideration; and
- **WHEREAS**, The recent stimulus bills passed by the United States Congress do not sufficiently address the potential insolvency of this vital national and rural resource;
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Amador County Board of Supervisors strongly urges our federal elected officials to quickly appropriate sufficient funding that will enable the U.S. Postal Service to continue providing critical services to our county and throughout the nation.

(Res 20-060) (04/28/2020)

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors in the County of Amador at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 14th day of April, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Patrick Crew, Frank Axe, Richard Forster, Jeff Brown, Brian Oneto

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Patrick Crew, Chairman

Amador County Board of Supervisor

ATTEST:

JENNIFER BURNS, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, Amador County,

California

(Res 20-060)

(04/28/2020)