

Proposed Resolution No. 4

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Build a Grand Alliance to Save Our Public Postal Service

WHEREAS, the U.S. Postal Service is the constant target of numerous privatization campaigns driven by certain elected officials on behalf of greedy corporate agendas to dismantle this 241-year-old institution; and

WHEREAS, privatization of the Postal Service represents nothing less than the looting of public services and assets; and

WHEREAS, political pressure applied to Congress by mass movements, such as the movements for civil rights and the rights of Vietnam Veterans, has produced monumental legislation; and

WHEREAS, the importance of Congressional correspondence and lobbying for legislation is recognized, but they alone are not enough; and

WHEREAS, to protect the Postal Service as an independent agency of the United States Government and to save postal jobs, there has to be a widespread public movement; and

WHEREAS, only with the support of the general public can we save the Postal Service from privatization; and

WHEREAS, the four national postal unions – the NPMHU, the NALC, the APWU, and the NRLCA – have joined forces to create A Grand Alliance to Save the Public Postal Service with over seventy national organizations representing the

labor movement, civil rights organizations, students, seniors, veterans' groups, community and faith-based organizations, and business groups as an initial step; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NPMHU encourages its Local Unions and membership to build relationships with local and state groups to affiliate with A Grand Alliance to Save Our Public Postal Service, beginning with those already affiliated at the national level based on transparency, reciprocity, and our shared values.