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3 **RESOLUTION: Request U.S. Congress to Maintain**
4 **Oshkosh Facility for Processing Mail**
5 **Originating in the 549 Zip Code Area**
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7 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**
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9 **WHEREAS**, the United States Postal Service is currently conducting a study as to the
10 feasibility of moving mail processing operations for the 549 area zip code from Oshkosh to Green
11 Bay; and
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13 **WHEREAS**, the Personnel and Finance Committee of the Winnebago County Board of
14 Supervisors is concerned as to the possible degradation of mail service within Winnebago County
15 as a result of such transfer; and
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17 **WHEREAS**, moving such operations to the Green Bay processing center does not
18 appear to make good logistical sense, in that much of the mail from the area travels to Milwaukee
19 and Chicago on route to other destinations, thus resulting in mail from cities such as Oshkosh
20 and Appleton being routed to the Green Bay and then once again being routed through Oshkosh
21 on its way to Milwaukee and other destinations; and
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23 **WHEREAS**, the Oshkosh mail processing facility has expansion capabilities, which
24 include possibly 30,000 square feet for immediate use and the ability to add another 250,000
25 square foot expansion to its current building if needed; and
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27 **WHEREAS**, the Oshkosh processing facility is presently in the midst of a 1.2 million
28 dollar upgrade to its lighting and its electrical services; and
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30 **WHEREAS**, the present postal service study has failed to identify other sources of
31 savings which might better serve the public; and
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33 **WHEREAS**, consolidation of the 549 zip code area mail processing center in Green Bay
34 would result in the loss of approximately 100 well-paying jobs in the Oshkosh area; and
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36 **WHEREAS**, your undersigned Committee does not believe that the transfer of the
37 Oshkosh postal processing operations to Green Bay would be in the best interest of Winnebago
38 County.
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40 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors
41 that it formally requests that the U.S. Postal Service maintain the Oshkosh Post Office as the
42 processing center for outgoing mail in the 549 zip code area.
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44 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it
45 hereby requests that the U.S. Congress intervene in relationship to this proposal until a
46 government accounting office investigation can be conducted concerning the increased cost of
47 transportation and the effect upon delivery standards for those communities now served by the
48 Oshkosh area processing center.
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50 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that a
51 copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Office of U.S. Congressman Thomas Petri, U.S.
52 Congressman Steven Kagan, U.S. Senator Russell Feingold, U.S. Senator Herbert Kohl, and to
53 the Office of the Lakeland District Manager and the Lakeland District Lead Plant Manager of the
54 U.S. Postal Service, as well as the Post Master General.
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that a request of a study of the Green Bay postal service processing and distribution center facility be made by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) in order to determine the other facility meets OSHA standards for proper egress in relationship to additional machines relocated to that facility from the Oshkosh processing facility.

Submitted by:

PERSONNEL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Committee Vote:

5-0

Vote Requirement for Passage:

Majority of those present

Approved by Winnebago County Executive this _____ day of

_____, 2010.

Mark L. Harris
County Executive