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Dear Senator Collins:

The United States Postal Service is our shared national treasure. For generations, postal workers have reliably fulfilled the mission of the Postal Service to *bind the Nation together*, processing, sorting and delivering vital medicines, Social Security and other benefits, financial transactions, elections material and countless other packages and mail to 160 million addresses, six days a week.

In these last several months, postal workers have proudly continued our essential service even on the frontlines of the pandemic. But the financial shock of the COVID-19 crisis threatens the Postal Service's ability to continue these vital services through the pandemic and beyond.

The bill you introduced, *THE POSTAL SERVICE EMERGENCY* ASSISTANCE ACT, S.4174, would set the Postal Service on firm footing to weather the COVID-19 storm and continue the vital services the country relies upon. The APWU applauds Senators Collins and Feinstein for their bipartisan leadership and we look forward to working with them to secure the financial relief the Postal Service needs.

Sincerely,

Mark Dimondstein

President