

FEDERAL-POSTAL COALITION

March 27, 2012

Dear Representative:

On behalf of the 4.6 million federal and postal workers and annuitants represented by the national member organizations of the Federal-Postal Coalition, we strongly urge you to oppose the Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Resolution introduced by Representative Paul Ryan (R-WI), Chairman of the House Budget Committee, and passed narrowly by the committee last week.

The House Republican budget proposes a staggering \$368 billion in additional federal workforce cuts over the next 10 years:

- Federal employees would have their salaries frozen for another three years;
- Federal employees would face massive cuts to the retirement benefits promised when they were hired; and
- The federal workforce would be cut by at least 10 percent, jeopardizing the federal programs and services every American relies on.

The 2011 and 2012 pay freeze that federal employees are continuing to live under will produce \$60 billion in savings over 10 years. The recently enacted Unemployment Insurance extension legislation will take another \$15 billion from federal and postal employees in increased pension contributions for a current total of \$75 billion. This is not shared sacrifice. It is simply unacceptable for the House Republican Budget Resolution to, yet again, unfairly single out the federal workforce for a vastly disproportionate share of budget reductions.

The 4.6 million members of the Federal-Postal Coalition urge you to VOTE NO on the Fiscal Year 2013 House Republican Budget resolution introduced by Chairman Ryan.

Sincerely,

American Federation of Government Employees
American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
American Foreign Service Association
American Postal Workers Union
FAA Managers Association
Federal Managers Association
Federally Employed Women
International Association of Fire Fighters
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers
Laborers' International Union of North America

National Air Traffic Controllers Association
National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association
National Association of Assistant United States Attorneys
National Association of Federal Veterinarians
National Association of Government Employees
National Association of Letter Carriers
National Association of Postal Supervisors
National Association of Postmasters of the U.S.
National Council of Social Security Management Associations
National Federation of Federal Employees
National League of Postmasters
National Postal Mail Handlers Union
National Rural Letter Carriers Association
National Treasury Employees Union
National Weather Service Employees Organization
Organization of Professional Employees at the U.S. Department of Agriculture
Patent Office Professional Association
Professional Aviation Safety Specialists
Professional Managers Association
Senior Executives Association

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