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Expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the need to preserve sixday mail delivery.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Harkin submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the need to preserve six-day mail delivery.

- Whereas the Postal Service has announced it may consider reducing its six-day mail delivery service to five days, ending Saturday home delivery to offset a projected budget shortfall;
- Whereas the six-day mail delivery is an essential service that U.S. citizens have relied on since 1912, particularly those working families who depend on their paychecks to arrive in the mail on time;
- Whereas many senior citizens only have one source of income through their Social Security checks, which arrive in the mail and any delays would make it difficult for them to purchase items such as food and medicine; and

Whereas ending Saturday home mail delivery will result in inevitable delays in mail delivery and an increase in costs for employee overtime to control the back-up of mail: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That it is the Sense of the Senate that it
- 2 is strongly opposed to the elimination of Saturday home
- 3 and business mail delivery and calls on the United States
- 4 Postal Service to take all of the necessary steps to assure
- 5 that six-day home and business mail delivery not be re-
- 6 duced.

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