

1 A RESOLUTION recognizing the 250th anniversary of the United States Postal
2 Service on July 25, 2025, and encouraging the protection of the institution.

3 WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service traces its origins to July 25, 1775,
4 when the Second Continental Congress established a postal system and appointed
5 Benjamin Franklin as the first Postmaster General; and

6 WHEREAS, for over 250 years, the United States Postal Service has served as a
7 vital institution of American democracy, communication, and commerce, binding
8 together communities in times of peace, prosperity, crisis, and war; and

9 WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service has played a critical role in the growth
10 and development of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, providing a way to connect rural
11 and urban communities alike, supporting large international corporations and local
12 businesses, serving the varying needs of all citizens, and ensuring that every Kentuckian,
13 regardless of geography, has access to reliable mail service; and

14 WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service operates a fundamental service to the
15 American people and follows congressional directives to prioritize public service over
16 profit, ensuring that every American address has mail delivery six days a week; and

17 WHEREAS, the unofficial motto of the United States Postal Service, "Neither
18 snow, nor rain, nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their
19 appointed rounds," captures the unwavering service of the postal workers upon which
20 citizens rely on; and

21 WHEREAS, the around 30,000 Kentucky postal employees have demonstrated the
22 renowned dedication, integrity, and commitment to public service, often working under
23 difficult conditions to ensure that mail is delivered safely, accurately, and on time; and

24 WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service has evolved alongside the nation,
25 adapting to new technologies and meeting the changing needs of a wide range of
26 consumers, while also maintaining its constitutional mission to provide universal service
27 to the state, nation, and internationally; and

1 WHEREAS, the delivery of mail is protected by laws safeguarding privacy and
2 preventing fraud, ensuring that Kentuckians can securely receive critical packages like
3 prescriptions, ballots, and social security checks; and

4 WHEREAS, July 25, 2025, was the 250th anniversary of the United States Postal
5 Service. This day reminds us of the postal service's historic roots and the continued
6 critical role it provides in ensuring equitable access to communication for all citizens.
7 The bisesquicentennial anniversary also gives Americans the opportunity to honor the
8 legacy of the men and women who have carried out its mission for two and half
9 centuries;

10 NOW, THEREFORE,

11 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of*
12 *Kentucky:*

13 ➔Section 1. The members of the Senate hereby recognize and honor the United
14 States Postal Service on its 250th anniversary.

15 ➔Section 2. The Clerk of the Senate is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this
16 Resolution to Senator Reginald Thomas for delivery.