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The Honorable Louis DeJoy
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The Honorable Louis DeJoy:

It has been brought to my attention by constituents in my district who reside in San Pedro, California that they continue to experience significant problems with United States Postal Service (USPS) mail delivery. My constituents rely heavily on the mail being delivered in an efficient and timely manner and the USPS has not lived up to the standard we all know and expect. I am deeply concerned about the continued issues with this important public service and want to ensure that my constituents' issues are acknowledged and fixed.

On February 10, 2020 my office was first notified that mail was being delivered as late as 8pm, – a significant change from previous delivery times. Several constituents also stated that mail delivery had skipped their entire neighborhood for multiple days at a time. My staff contacted USPS Consumer Affairs Representatives in the Los Angeles District who issued an explanation on February 25th describing the implementation of new routes in San Pedro and how carriers are adjusting to these changes. My office was reassured that USPS leadership would continue to support the Beacon Street Post Office to ensure timely delivery. We shared this information with my constituents in San Pedro and asked them to give the mail carriers some time to get comfortable with their new routes. It is now July, and my constituents continue to report issues with USPS mail delivery. My constituents rely on the mail for their medications, bills, and other important documents including Unemployment Insurance and their Economic Impact Payments.

Many of the small and medium sized businesses that make San Pedro unique and help the community thrive are also being negatively impacted by the mail delivery issues. These businesses contribute heavily to the local economy and depend on timely USPS mail delivery to ensure their success. They rely on the daily pick-up and delivery of mail by local letter carriers, and these ongoing issues have impacted this vital service.

Additionally, USPS has been called upon to ensure that every citizen in California can exercise their constitutional right by participating in upcoming elections through vote by mail.

The current issues plaguing mail delivery service in San Pedro are a cause of great concern that USPS may not be ready to effectively and efficiently allow my constituents in San Pedro to vote by mail in the upcoming election.

My office has been made aware of the new policy from USPS leadership instructing workers to leave mail behind if it cannot be delivered on time. My constituents are already facing huge delays in receiving their mail, and these new policies will make the situation even worse. I ask for your intervention to ensure mail delivery in San Pedro returns to a reliable and daily schedule of pick-up and delivery. It is imperative that my constituents throughout California's 44th Congressional District can rely on timely and routine mail service from USPS. I look forward to your response detailing a course of action to mitigate these issues.

Thank you for your immediate attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,



Nanette Diaz Barragán
Member of Congress