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Please do not close our post office. It has been a mainstay of our community since 1888.

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I am writing this letter to appeal the closing of the Basalt, Idaho 83218 Post Office for the following reasons:

POSTAL REGULATORY
COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

- 1: It is important to the residents of Basalt to have a local post office for the safety and convenience of all. Closing the post office would impose a hardship on many seniors and/or elderly and those who enjoy the walk there. Also many people like to visit with others who have come to get their mail. The post office is one of the "centers" of our community and has been for many, many decades.
- 2: There will not be enough money saved by closing our post office to amount to a drop in the bucket in comparison to the postal deficit. The combination of the budget of ALL the small post offices only amounts to 1% of the total postal budget. Take from that the amount for our small office and it is minuscule.
- 3: We need security of our mail. We have a small community not on a rural road. During the summer we have many young people who walk the streets and are sometimes bored and looking for mischief. Mail boxes along our streets would, I'm afraid, be too tempting for them to leave them alone; thus creating a problem for the security of our mail.
- 4: I feel the need to wait to see if the relief measures come thru to save our post office. It would be a shame to close it down only to find out that the relief measures proposed by President Obama could have saved it.

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Please acknowledge receipt of this appeal.

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