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Congresswoman Lee Calls on Congress to Prevent Sale of Historic US Postal Buildings

Washington, DC – Congresswoman Barbara Lee has introduced legislation to halt the sale and consolidation of historic US Postal Service facilities. The *Moratorium on US Historic Postal Buildings Act* would prevent USPS from selling any facility until all buildings listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places are removed from the auction block.

“These historic post offices are an irreplaceable part of our nation’s history. They belong to the American people,” said Congresswoman Barbara Lee. “Historic post office buildings are an integral part of our cultural heritage and should not be used as a bargaining chip to resolve the Postal Service’s financial woes.”

“In my district, the Berkeley post office is cherished by the East Bay community,” Congresswoman Lee added. “I’m calling on Congress to stop these callous attempts to auction off our heritage. My bill would ensure that historic post offices across the country, including the Berkeley Post office, remain as a cornerstone of our community.”

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Congresswoman Lee is a member of the Appropriations and Budget Committees, the Steering and Policy Committee, is a Senior Democratic Whip, former chair of the Congressional Black Caucus and co-chair of the Progressive Caucus. She serves as chair of the Whip’s Task Force on Poverty and Opportunity.

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