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Mr. Kim Anderson  
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Dear Mr. Kim Anderson:

I am writing to request that you give consideration to the effort led by the Crescent Lake Community Action Team (CLCAT) to reestablish its own zip-code and reopen their Post Office, at least on a part-time basis. The endeavor is being undertaken by CLCAT in an effort to retain their unique identity and strengthen economic development and growth in Crescent Lake.

Unfortunately, on December 6, 2005 the Post Office was destroyed by fire and as a result, postal operations were transferred and the zip-code merged with Crescent which is 17 miles from Crescent Lake. The community currently has cluster boxes, and no other service is available. As a result residents must travel 35 miles round trip to pick-up registered mail and indicate the safety issues with travelling (particularly in the winter months) to pick up packages in Crescent. They're also concerned combining zip-codes with Crescent will cause confusion in the providing of emergency services.

While I understand the United States Postal Service (USPS) must analyze the costs and benefits of this proposal, it is my hope USPS will work with the community to explore the possibility of reestablishing a distinct zip-code and providing part-time service for the residents of Crescent Lake.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I have included the packet of information submitted by the CLCAT for your review. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of assistance in this matter.

Best regards,

GREG WALDEN  
Member of Congress  
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