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Serrano and other Roosevelt Island Elected Officials Rally to Save the Post Office

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Congresswoman Carolyn Maloney, State Senator José M. Serrano, Assembly Micah Kellner, City Council Member Jessica Lappin, and Roosevelt Island Operating Corporation President Leslie Torres joined Roosevelt Island community leaders and residents for a rally to urge the United States Postal Service to keep the Roosevelt Island Post Office in operation.

"For the most vulnerable Roosevelt Island residents, traveling to Astoria or Manhattan to drop off mail is clearly not an option," said Senator Serrano. "Closing the only post office on

Roosevelt Island simply does not make sense, and I urge the United States Postal Service to ensure that the Roosevelt Island Post Office remain open for business. Its closure would deeply inconvenience all those living and working on the island.”

The Postal Service announced a list of over 3,000 post offices that are being considered for closure, and Roosevelt Island was placed on the list due to low revenue. Senator Serrano joined Congresswoman Maloney by helping to collect more than 1,600 signatures from Roosevelt Island residents who want to keep their local post office open, and local elected officials continue to work to ensure residents have an accessible post office on the Island.