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**RESOLUTION NO. 24-**  
**Requesting a Review from the US Postal Service for**  
**A Single Unitary ZIP Code in the City of Glendale**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Glendale Wisconsin has a population of 13,500 people and is divided into three ZIP Codes—53209, 53212 and 53217—served by three different US Post Offices; and

**WHEREAS**, all three ZIP Codes serving Glendale are considered City of Milwaukee ZIP codes and default to Milwaukee as the municipality in all ZIP code databases, including at the kiosks and sorting machines at the US Postal Service; and

**WHEREAS**, despite the 53217 Post Office being located in the City of Glendale, none of the City of Glendale offices, Glendale-River Hills school district offices, or Glendale-River Hills schools are in 53217, but are instead all located in 53209; and

**WHEREAS**, the 53209 post office is located in the City of Milwaukee and that has led to confusion, delivery errors, and misdelivery of City of Glendale and Glendale-River Hills school district mail; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Glendale has experienced years of delivery errors and service lapses, including delayed absentee ballot delivery and problems with errors in the delivery of utility bills; and

**WHEREAS**, City of Glendale officials have worked to no avail with local postal officials to try to correct these measures, particularly those that occur with absentee ballots, and yet they persist with every election; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears that the confusion of the City of Glendale being divided into three ZIP Codes is more than the local post offices can address on their own; and

**WHEREAS**, the US Postal Service has a process for reviewing ZIP Codes for efficiency and accuracy of mail delivery; and

**WHEREAS**, the only solution to the myriad problems that pervade our local mail delivery is to have a single unitary ZIP code for Glendale at a US Post Office located in Glendale; and

**WHEREAS**, the ZIP Code is used as a resource by more government agencies than the US Postal Service and that has led to errors relating to the City of Glendale being considered a part of the City of Milwaukee, including with the US Census Bureau and the Wisconsin Department of Revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the ZIP Code is also used by many private businesses, which has caused further confusion beyond just the delivery of USPS mail.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Common Council do hereby request a review from the US Postal Service for a single unitary ZIP Code in the City of Glendale to improve postal efficiency, minimize errors in delivery and processing of City of Glendale mail, and increase USPS accountability to its customers in Glendale.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Commo Council do expressly request as the first option for resolving these many concerns that the USPS grant our request for a single unitary ZIP Code to be housed at the 53217 Post Office in the City of Glendale and that the new Glendale ZIP Code and the 53217 ZIP be jointly serviced by the US Post Office at 5651 N Lydell Avenue in Glendale.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Common Council request the support of US Senator Ron Johnson, US Senator Tammy Baldwin, and US Representative Gwen Moore in amplifying our request and following up with legislation, if needed.

**AND BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Common Council call upon the residents of the City of Glendale to reach out to their Congressperson and US Senators to share their own stories of problems with mail delivery and misdelivery, voter disenfranchisement due to misdelivered or undelivered absentee ballots, confusion on the Census form, problems with the implementation of local taxes, and other concerns.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Glendale this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.

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By a vote of: \_\_\_\_\_ in favor, \_\_\_\_\_ against, and \_\_\_\_\_ abstain.

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Bryan Kennedy, Mayor

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Countersigned:  
Megan Humitz, City Clerk