

United Airlines Master Executive Council



Air Line Pilots Association, International
AFL-CIO

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Ms. Sara Nelson
President, Association of Flight Attendants-CWA
501 3rd Street NW
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Sara,

On behalf of the 12,500 Pilots of United Airlines, congratulations on AFA's 70th anniversary. Over the years, pilots of the Air Line Pilots Association and members of the Association of Flight Attendants have worked together to advance the safety of airline travel across the globe. We have stood shoulder to shoulder to defend the rights of pilots and flight attendants against forces that never hesitate in taking on the very people who make the airline industry fly safely: the employees.

For decades, the members of the AFA have been trailblazers in organizing labor and fighting for workers' rights in the airline industry. The collective vision of United Flight Attendants Edith Lauterbach, Ada Brown Greenfield, Francis Hall, Sally Thometz and Sally Watt Keenan 70 years ago planted the seeds of the strong voice AFA possesses worldwide today. We should never forget the bravery these five individuals demonstrated on behalf of their fellow crewmembers. All of us - pilots, flight attendants and all airline labor groups - owe these individuals a debt of gratitude.

The United Pilots consider it an honor to call the 60,000 flight attendants represented by the Association of Flight Attendants our partners in aviation. Congratulations on 70 years of union service to your members and our industry.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jay Heppner', is written over the word 'Fraternally'.

Captain Jay Heppner
Chairman, United Master Executive Council
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