



November 30, 2023

Happy Holidays,

We look forward to seeing our HNL members on December 3rd and 4th in our HNL CRO and our LAX members on December 9<sup>th</sup> at the membership meeting for our FlightPAC Drive.

We want to take this opportunity to reach out again to familiarize everyone on what we do as your Government Affairs Committee and the importance of contributing to FlightPAC.

Established over 30 Years ago, the Government Affairs Department which includes all local MEC committees at AFA has become a crucial component of AFA. Almost every issue that affects flight attendants is heard, in some form or another, on Capitol Hill from negotiations issues, to safety issues, and to quality life issues. It is the responsibility of the Government Affairs Department to keep abreast of these issues and be activists working with Congress in order to make sure flight attendants' opinions are heard.

The Department's purpose mirrors that of the Committee on Legislative and Political Policy's statement of purpose "to aggressively pursue progressive legislation designed to secure the future of our profession, enhance the integrity of our working conditions, maintain the dignity of our labor and increase the standards of aviation safety by vigorously upholding the principles of all workers and the members of AFA-CWA."

In addition to our activism, we are responsible for maintaining FlightPAC/CWA-COPE (Committee on Political Education). FlightPAC AFA's Political Action Committee provides campaign support and endorsements to candidates on the national level of government who support our legislative goals. FlightPAC is totally funded by your contributions and not funded in any way from our union dues. FlightPAC endorsements are NON-Partisan, or as we like to say FlyPartisan! FlightPAC is not a Super Pac and operates completely in compliance with federal laws pertaining to Political Action Committees. Again, FlightPAC can only be successful with your contributions.

Some of FlightPAC successes to name a few are PAYROLL SUPPORT PROGRAM X3, FMLA, KNOWN CREW MEMBER, Whistleblower Protection, Seniority Integration Protection, FAA certification, OSHA in the Cabin, FA fatigue/risk management, and Flight Attendant Drug and Alcohol Program.

We are currently focused on passage of the FAA Reauthorization Bill of 2023 which include the Pump Act for Nursing Mothers, Cabin Air Safety, Stop Abusive/Disruptive Passengers, and more that effects our lives as first responders.

Remember **that when something becomes law, it doesn't have to be negotiated.**

Thank you to all who contribute and if you don't currently contribute, we hope you will join us.

Yours in Solidarity,

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