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The Honorable Bill Frist
Senate Majority Leader
Room 509, Hart Building
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Pension Security and Transparency Act

Dear Senator Frist,

The American Airlines System Presidents Council represents tens of thousands of active members and retirees across the United States. Three years ago, the Unions at American Airlines agreed to major voluntary concessions to preserve our Company and avert the consequences of bankruptcy. Since then, the Unions and the Company have worked together to improve our Company's standing in this vital industry. Among the many financial obligations the Company has met, is the funding of employee pension plans. American Airlines has demonstrated that it is committed to meet the obligations it has to its employees and has been a good corporate citizen by maintaining the highest level of pension funding in the airline industry.

We want to thank the Senate for adopting language in S. 1783 that includes American Airlines and others with on-going employee pension plans in the relief offered other airlines, while protecting the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation from additional liability through increased company pension contributions. This provision is vital to the interests of our members and retirees and has the support of the Company as well.

We strongly urge the Senate Conferees to hold firm on insisting that the House accede to the Senate on this point and that the Senate language on airline pensions be included in the final bill coming out of conference.

We urge you to let the Senate Conferees know how important it is that the employee pension plans be preserved at American Airlines and that the final Conference Report includes this provision. Our Council's Presidents unanimously support this provision and will be grateful for your support of this extremely important matter.

Sincerely,
Curtis R. Gentry

Legislative Committee Chairman
President, TWU Local 541

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