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The Honorable Dennis Hastert  
Speaker of the House of Representatives  
Room 232, Capitol Building  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Pension Protection Act, H.R. 2830

Dear Mr. Speaker,

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 urge the House Conferees to accede to the Senate language on airline pensions in this bill, in conformity with the will of the House, as expressed in the Motion to Instruct. This provision would allow airlines with on-going employee pension plans to share in the relief afforded other airlines, while protecting the Pension Benefits Guaranty Corporation from additional liability by requiring 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 urge you to let the House 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,  
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Legislative Committee Chairman  
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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
House Minority Leader  
Room 204, Capitol Building  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Pension Protection Act, H.R. 2830

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The Honorable Harry Reid  
Senate Minority Leader  
Room 528, Hart Building  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Pension Security and Transparency Act

Dear Senator Reid,


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.

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House Majority Leader  
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