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SWAPA Board Votes to Send Tentative Contract Agreement Out for Membership Ratification Vote

Statement to Attribute to Captain Jon Weaks, SWAPA President

“The SWAPA Board of Directors met in Dallas on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week to analyze and discuss the merits and deficiencies of the negotiated agreement in principle. After detailed discussions and Q&A sessions with our Negotiating Committee, along with spirited deliberations among the board members, they voted 21-2 to forward the proposed new contract to membership for a vote. SWAPA is a member-centric organization, and the board believes this agreement contained sufficient value such that pilots should have the opportunity to vote for or against it based on their individual and family’s needs. Voting will open October 8 and close on November 7. If the membership votes this in as a new contract, we will move forward with implementation. If the agreement is rejected, we will return to the table for continued discussions with the National Mediation Board and Southwest Airlines.”

Located in Dallas, Texas, the Southwest Airlines Pilots' Association (SWAPA) is a non-profit employee organization representing the more than 8,400 pilots of Southwest Airlines. SWAPA works to provide a secure and rewarding career for Southwest pilots and their families through negotiating contracts, defending contractual rights and actively promoting professionalism and safety. For more information on the Southwest Airlines Pilots' Association, visit

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