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Southwest Airlines Pilots Re-Elect Captain Jon Weaks as Union President

Las Vegas-based Captain will continue Union leadership through 2018

(DALLAS) - The membership of the Southwest Airlines Pilots' Association (SWAPA), in voting that closed Monday, re-elected Captain Jon Weaks as Union President for the 2017-2018 term. Capt. Weaks ran unopposed and received 98.47 percent of the vote in the election to represent more than 8,400 Southwest pilots. A Zephyr Cove, Nevada resident, Capt. Weaks has been a pilot at Southwest Airlines since 1990 and is currently based in the Las Vegas domicile.

"Regardless if our current TA vote is ratified or rejected there is a large amount of work to accomplish," said Captain Weaks. "If the membership rejects this TA, then we will be back to the negotiating table. If it is passed, we will work on implementation. I am also focused heavily on improving our Company's operation, our pilots' training experience and SWAPA's internal service to our membership."

Capt. Weaks previously held the position of SWAPA President from 2001-2002 as well as 2016, and was a domicile representative for Oakland pilots from 1998-1999 and for Las Vegas pilots in 2015.

Weaks continued, "I am thrilled and humbled to have the trust and backing of this pilot group. Engagement will continue to be key as we work to maintain our strength and unity. It is vital we be stronger, unified, and smarter with each new issue to address."

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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