



# AIR LINE PILOTS ASSOCIATION, INTERNATIONAL

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Dear Representative:

I write today in support of the Protecting the Right to Organize (PRO) Act, H.R. 842, and to urge its adoption when it is considered by the House of Representatives. The PRO Act is fundamental to the rights of U.S. workers to have a voice on the job.

While airline pilots are not directly impacted by the National Labor Relations Act (NLRA), we stand in solidarity to express support for this important legislation which will restore the original intent of the NLRA. All workers deserve fair opportunities to negotiate for better working conditions, wages, and a more secure retirement.

Unfortunately, today, many workers face a variety of intimidation tactics and obstacles to joining a union. The PRO Act institutes penalties for those who violate the law during an organizing drive and ensures that workers who choose to join or form a union achieve their first contract in a reasonable timeframe. The bill also weakens "right to work" laws. These state initiatives have been promoted to give more power to corporations at the expense of workers and have led to lower wages, less secure retirement, and increased health care costs for all workers, not only those in so-called right to work states.

Collective bargaining rights afforded by strong labor laws and effected through labor unions promotes dignity at work which is foundational for strong and vibrant communities and are core to our nation's continued success.

The Air Line Pilots Association, International stands in solidarity with our union family who will benefit from this meaningful legislation. We urge you to support the PRO Act and help promote an economy that works for all working families.

Sincerely,

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