

Transport Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO Air Transport Division Local 555 Southwest Airlines Ramp, Operations, and Provisioning



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Harry Lombardo, President Transport Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO 501 3rd Street NW, 9th Floor Washington, DC 20001 RECEIVED

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Dear President Lombardo:

On behalf of the TWU Local 555 members in California and Florida who were recently subjected to unjust suspensions during the holiday season, I would like to sincerely thank TWU International for the overwhelming support.

These members faced the holidays with no income. Thanks to the generosity of TWU brothers and sisters each suspended member received \$1096. These funds made a difference to members and their families during a very difficult time. The donations helped with basic necessities such as staying current on utility bills and rent.

I would also like to thank you for your very generous personal donation and for encouraging other TWU officers and locals to donate. Your leadership resulted in many individual contributions and donations from more than 30 TWU locals.

Our suspended members have returned to work and we are currently fighting the unjust suspensions and discipline through the grievance process. It is appalling that hardworking TWU members had their incomes stripped, but the Transport Workers Union of America left no doubt that we stand together and fight together when faced with adversity. Once again, thank you for your generosity and for leading a unprecedented display of solidarity.

In Solidarity,

Greg Puriski President

TWU Local 555

cc: TWU Local 555 Executive Board