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PRESIDENT MESSAGE December 30, 2020

With a New Year right around the corner I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. As we look forward to ushering in a new year, there is not one group represented by Local 19, which in 2020, did not have challenges to overcome. Efforts continue to try and mitigate the effects of furloughs at UAL, and with the announcement Monday will avoid such threatened furloughs at WN. As we were awaiting details on payroll support package (PSP) effects, this will be the foundation for bringing furloughed members back.

Last month a tentative agreement was announced with Dynamic Solutions Technology and negotiations coming up with Armed Forces Services. This month both agreements were ratified and a very special Thank you to Shelly and Frank for their work completing the negotiations. I was a little apprehensive about negotiations on Zoom but overall it went well.

WN LR has expressed its hopes for additional payroll relief. While we continue offering solutions for both Material Specialist and Flight Simulation Members to elude threatened furloughs, the company is expressing, more openly, that such additional PSP support would avoid such.

Prior to the latest stimulus package announcement there had been discussions ongoing with UAL regarding both the process used for furloughs and the effects of the displacement to different work areas. Both of these, I believe, could be for the most part corrected with the new PSP. There are so many potential moving parts I am cautious to even make mention of it here. Just know we get it and understand the disruption. Anything possible to, even in part, address the issues at hand today, we will continue working to do so. At UAL we have had 4 or 5 orientations the last month and had an opportunity to meet new members from all over the system that have been furloughed to Houston. Since early on in the merger I have made so many new friends that otherwise I would have never met. Everyone has an interesting story of their past. Please take an opportunity to get to know our brothers and sisters new to Local 19.

In 2020 our Local and Members have experienced challenges due to hurricanes, furloughs, company shutdowns, and the effects of Covid-19. We have, and continue to meet, the challenges we are faced with and are doing so together. Remember if you are reading this you are not alone and we are committed to continue working to bring better times and days. Our experiences are the strength for tomorrow and I am looking forward to next year and what it brings.

Please keep in your Thoughts and Prayers; Family of Tom Powers (Tap), retired CAL, who passed this month. Tom is one of, if not the most, influential persons in my career. Carlos Sanchez, retired UAL, battling an illness and Board Member Arnold Villarreal whose mom is ill.

Thank you and stay Safe!,

Bob Clever - President & Business Manager Local 19

