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NMB Issues Challenge Ruling

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

The National Mediation Board has issued a decisive ruling in Case No. 7669, affirming the IAM's position and rejecting AMFA's attempt to strip cleaners and line servicemen of their voting rights in the Alaska Airlines and Hawaiian Airlines election, the IAM wins, and AMFA loses again.

In October 2025, IAM responded forcefully to AMFA's desperate attempt, making clear that cleaners and line servicemen are part of the Mechanics and Related craft and class. Their right to vote is not up for debate—it is protected, recognized, and now reaffirmed.

Since September 16, 2025, AMFA has dragged its feet, stalling and obstructing the process. That ends here. The NMB ruling makes it clear: the election moves forward, and every member will have the opportunity to make their voice heard.

The numbers are definitive: 254 cleaners and 51 line servicemen remain eligible, bringing the total to 1,990 voters. This figure reflects all eligibility rulings to date. Prior to the tally, undeliverables will be removed in accordance with Manual Sections 14.206 and 14.207, with those numbers disclosed at the count.

District 142 will continue to deliver updates as the NMB releases additional information or issues further rulings. The IAM stands ready, the members stand ready, and the vote will proceed—without delay and without compromise. AMFA has the right to delay even further by appealing the decision, which is required by 4PM ET, December 9th, 2025.

Sincerely and fraternally,

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President/Directing General Chair

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