



December 17, 2025

Dear Representative,

On behalf of the **Southwest Airlines Pilots Association (SWAPA)**, representing over 11,000 professional pilots of Southwest Airlines, I am writing to support the **Aviation Funding Solvency Act (H.R. 6086)**. Introduced by Chairman Sam Graves and Ranking Member Rick Larsen, this bipartisan legislation ensures the **FAA** remains operational and the aviation workforce is protected during government shutdowns.

Recent shutdowns have jeopardized safety by delaying critical infrastructure upgrades and modernization programs, while placing an immense burden on air traffic controllers and federal safety specialists. These disruptions cause lasting damage to a system already strained by staffing shortages and aging technology.

The **Aviation Funding Solvency Act** provides a vital safeguard by allowing the **FAA** to utilize the **Aviation Insurance Revolving Fund** to maintain operations and pay frontline professionals during a funding lapse. **SWAPA** believes that national airspace stability and public safety should never be used as political bargaining chips.

We appreciate the leadership of Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Chairman Graves and Ranking Member Larsen along with Aviation Subcommittee leaders Chairman Nehls and Ranking Member Carso and urge Congress to pass this essential measure into law.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jody R Reven".

Captain Jody Reven
President
Southwest Airlines Pilots Association (SWAPA)