Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

February 12, 2024

Mr. Ed Bastian CEO Delta Air Lines

Dear Mr. Bastian:

We are writing regarding the efforts of Delta employees to organize a union and to encourage Delta to respect the voices of your employees, our constituents, by pledging not to interfere in any union organizing activities by adopting a neutrality agreement.

We understand that Delta employees announced a coordinated campaign to organize a union in November 2022, including Delta flight attendants, fleet service workers, and technicians. Unfortunately, our constituents have informed us about Delta's history of deploying union-busting tactics, including threatening employees with termination of their benefits, distributing anti-union literature, and hosting an anti-union website.¹ These retaliatory actions are hostile to workers' rights, and we urge you to commit to implementing a neutrality agreement with regard to these union organizing efforts.

A neutrality agreement simply consists of an employer agreeing not to engage in pre-election activities that influence workers' freedom to form a union. Your commitment to neutrality would ensure that management does not pressure workers into voting against unionization or delaying the election process. We believe a neutrality agreement is the bare minimum standard that Delta should meet in respecting workers' rights and to comply with the Railway Labor Act's directive to not "interfere... influence or coerce" its employees in their choice of representative.²

All workers should have the free and fair choice to join a union, as is required by law. We strongly urge you to adopt a neutrality agreement with regards to any efforts by your employees to unionize and to commit to negotiating in good faith if your employees do choose to form a union.

Thank you for your time and attention to these important issues.

Sincerely,

¹ <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2019/05/10/delta-told-workers-save-up-football-beer-video-games-instead-union-it-didnt-go-well/ and https://www.vox.com/the-goods/2019/5/10/18564745/delta-anti-union-video-game-poster and https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2019/jun/12/delta-workers-pro-union-report-threats-management</u>

² 45 USC §152. General duties

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