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ASSOCIATION OF FLIGHT ATTENDANTS REMAINS DEDICATED TO EQUAL RIGHTS

Washington, DC – The Association of Flight Attendants-CWA (AFA-CWA) Board of Directors yesterday unanimously backed a resolution opposing a California proposition that, if passed, would define only marriage between a man and a woman as valid in the state.

“Collectively we recognize that no argument against equal rights is sensible and rightful if it makes any flight attendant less equal,” stated the Board of Directors. “We remain committed to ensuring that all of our members enjoy the same basic civil and human rights under the law. AFA-CWA supports any and all organizations that are fighting to defeat this ballot measure and ensure that our members residing in the State of California will be treated equally under its laws.”

AFA-CWA has historically been at the forefront of fighting and speaking out against all forms of discrimination. Through the years, AFA-CWA has succeeded in transforming the aviation industry by helping to ensure equal treatment of all flight attendants. By challenging discriminatory practices, AFA-CWA has been instrumental in protecting flight attendant careers from past policies that would terminate employment due to pregnancy, marital status, weight, age, race or gender.

“AFA-CWA has a strong tradition of fighting for equal rights in our industry and I am proud that we are not only fighting discrimination for our members, but also for all women and men in California and across the nation,” said Kate Day, AFA-CWA Northwest Airlines Local Council President and sponsor of the Resolution. “The benefits that my husband and I share through marriage should not be denied to anyone. AFA-CWA will steadfastly continue to support marriage equality for all our members in every state, province, territory, and country wherever they may reside.”

For over 60 years, the Association of Flight Attendants has been serving as the voice for flight attendants in the workplace, in the aviation industry, in the media and on Capitol Hill. More than 55,000 flight attendants at 20 airlines come together to form AFA-CWA, the world’s largest flight attendant union. AFA is part of the 700,000-member strong Communications Workers of America (CWA), AFL-CIO. Visit us at www.afanet.org.

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