(1ST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION
OF THE 48TH LEGISLATURE)
ENROLLED SENATE
CONCURRENT
RESOLUTION NO. 3X

By: Taylor and Easley of the Senate

and

Easley and Rice of the House

A Concurrent Resolution commending the U.S. Congress and the President for assisting the nation's airline industry in the wake of the September 11th terrorist attacks and urging them, with leadership from the Oklahoma Congressional Delegation, to provide similar assistance to any and all airline employees who have been affected by the national crisis; and directing distribution.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress and the President acted decisively and appropriately when they moved to deliver swift assistance to the national airline industry in the wake of the terrorist attacks on September 11th, 2001; and

WHEREAS, even with the financial assistance package offered by the federal government, many major airlines and aerospace industries have laid off thousands of employees across the nation, including many with ties in Oklahoma; and

WHEREAS, many more airline employees could still be affected by the national crisis due to the slow recovery of their industry; and

WHEREAS, the nation's airline industry employees, from baggage handlers to flight attendants to pilots to airline mechanics, perform an invaluable service for our country and its economy, especially in this time of national crisis; and

WHEREAS, because of the important role that they play, these employees should be provided with special federal assistance if they are laid off or displaced in any way in the wake of the terrorist attacks, just as the airline industry was assisted in its time of need; and

WHEREAS, while this issue is critical to the entire nation, it is especially important in Oklahoma, due to the large number of airline industry employees who work and reside here; and

WHEREAS, because of these Oklahoma ties, it is critical that the Oklahoma Congressional delegation in Washington, D.C. take the lead on this important issue, urging their colleagues in the U.S. Congress and the executive branch to do everything that they can to expedite ongoing efforts to provide federal assistance to the workers in question.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 1ST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE 48TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN:

THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature hereby commends the U.S. Congress and the President for providing speedy assistance to the national airline industry and urges the Oklahoma Congressional delegation to help expedite efforts to develop a similar aid package for airline employees who have lost their jobs or been displaced in any way in the aftermath of the September 11th terrorist attacks.

Adopted by the Senate the 23rd day of October, 2001.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Adopted by the House of Representatives the 23rd day of October, 2001.

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