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## TSA ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTS AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN TO AVIATION SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

CENTENNIAL, CO – May 25, 2018 - The Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association (AMFA) applauds Transportation Security Administration Administrator David P. Pekoske for his decision to appoint an aircraft maintenance technician (AMT) to the Aviation Security Advisory Committee (ASAC). AMFA Legislative Affairs Director Justin Madden's appointment to the ASAC fills a critical void in the Committee's membership.

AMFA National Director Bret Oestreich stated, "the AMT is a highly educated and skilled professional charged with inspecting, troubleshooting, and repairing aircraft to ensure the safety and security of the flying public. Justin's appointment is ideal. He represents what is best about our profession, his technical skills and passion for the craft is unmatched. He will be an asset to the Committee and Administrator Pekoske."

AMFA would like to thank U.S. Representative John Katko (NY-24) for his leadership in making sure the AMT perspective was included. "Representative Katko understood early that an integral safety voice was missing from ASAC," Mr. Oestreich said, "and he continuously pushed for a craft specific union to represent the AMT perspective on the Committee."

In addition to his role with AMFA, Mr. Madden is an FAA certified and practicing airframe and powerplant (A&P) AMT with over 20 years of experience, including serving honorably in the United States Marine Corps.

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