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Dear Senator Ellis:

On behalf of the 18,000 members of the Association of Professional Flight Attendants, representing American Airlines Flight Attendants, I write to show our support for Wisconsin public sector employees who's basic rights of collective bargaining are unfairly under attack by Governor Walker.

We applaud the willingness of the public employee unions to make the wage and benefit sacrifices necessary to address the budget crisis created by the Great Recession and to condemn Governor Walker's belligerence in rejecting these compromises. His demand that state workers' right to collective bargaining be annulled is an affront to a basic human right of every worker and a blatant imposition of partisan politics on public policy.

Governor Walker's belligerence in refusing to compromise reveals his true objective of unjustly villainizing public employees for a crisis created entirely by the recklessness of Wall Street. He is creating a distraction away from finding real solutions that will address the economic crisis facing Wisconsin. A constructive relationship between government and unions will most benefit the citizens of Wisconsin.

We applaud and support the efforts of the teachers and other public sector unionists to "stop the insanity." We call on you to halt the assault on all workers' basic right to collective bargaining and urge you to pass a budget that accepts the unions' sacrifice as their contribution to solving a state budget crisis that none of them had any hand in creating.

Sincerely,


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