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## **Ron Barnett**

### **Candidate for Council 20 First Officer Rep**

#### **Endorsement for Ron Barnett Council 20 First Officer Rep**

**Monty Montgomery**, NWA MEC Vice Chairman 07 – 09 wrote:

Fellow Detroit Pilots, I asked Ron Barnett to allow me the opportunity to write a few words to my fellow pilots concerning the critical pending elections. During my two years of service in ALPA as the communications chairman during our media blitz countering the management claims of sick call abuse and as MEC Vice Chairman through the merger process, I had the unique ability to interact with all six candidates running in the current election. This election is extremely important to all DTW pilots. For example, it should be noted that the South pilots have very different retirement plans and all MEC members will be voting on issues that affect our future. The following comments are offered as my opinion alone and not part of some larger plan for the web board enthusiast that may think otherwise.

Ron Barnett is an outstanding choice to represent us as the First Officer Rep. He possesses the intelligence and experience to protect our interest as Detroit pilots. His in-depth understanding of the pension plans and his negotiating background will stand us in good stead as he advocates for us in the tightly structured Delta MEC. I also worked closely with the other First Officer candidate during his abbreviated time working for the MEC. He is a likeable guy, but does not match Ron's ability or determination to complete the work needed to represent us. **Help me protect our future as Detroit pilots and support Ron Barnett for First Officer Rep.**

There is no stronger advocate for the Delta North Pilots than Ken Watts. He has established a long history of standing up for the rights of all pilots and he will continue that record as the Detroit Captain Representative. I have personally witnessed Ken successfully fight management representatives to protect the careers of Detroit pilots while serving in the ALPA office. Captain Watts puts aside personal interest to make thoughtful, fair decisions. **As a blue book pilot, I urge you to vote for honest, capable leadership by voting for Ken Watts.**

The Secretary/Treasurer position can be a highly effective position if we elect the right candidate to represent us. Silas Hart led the extremely efficient Computer Bidding committee on the Northwest MEC. Under his Chairmanship, this committee made great strides toward improving the bidding process and the daily lives of all Detroit Pilots. His personality and negotiating abilities will make the most of this important position. We do not need web board rumor mongering or ineffective negativity when real change is called for in our contract and careers. **Silas Hart can help bring about that change with his skill sets and determination.**

Finally, thank you for taking the time to read these recommendations and hopefully give them your consideration. We, the Detroit pilots, have long been the victims of diversionary personal politics that reduced the effectiveness of our representatives. I asked for the opportunity to address you in this format after witnessing the performance of all six candidates first hand. This is not the product of some hidden agenda or secret plan. Important decisions will be made at Delta ALPA that has great bearing on all of our careers. Please take the time to consider these three capable candidates.

Monty Montgomery

22 YR DTW Pilot

Fellow Council 20 Pilots,

I thank you for your support and nomination for Council 20 First Officer Representative! I truly appreciate your confidence in me. **I am now asking you for your vote in the election beginning soon.**

I would also like to thank Monty Montgomery for his support and endorsement above. Both my opponent and I have worked with Monty in our previous ALPA work. It is truly humbling to receive his support before my peers.

In closing, I thank YOU the Detroit line pilot for taking the time and making the effort to SECURE our future CAREERS! For without the SECURITY of our collective careers, ALL of our futures are in question!

**I am asking YOU to vote for me, Ron Barnett to represent YOU on the Delta MEC.**

Fraternally,

**Ron Barnett**

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