## APFA **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

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February 6, 2019

## Via Teleconference

Resolution Name: Jose Chiu Nomination Flight #625
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WHEREAS, American Airlines flight 625 from JFK to STT encountered a wind gust 30 feet from the ground upon approach and overran the runway. The Aircraft, a 727-100, hit an antenna, went through a fence and collided with a Shell gas station; and

WHEREAS, there were 82 passengers and 7 Flight Crew. 35 passengers and 2 Flight Attendants, Betty Pickett and Joan Carrara, lost their lives in the crash. F/A Lou Bender was able to return to work but passed away in 1995. Janet Chamberlin escaped by lifting herself through a hole on the top of the fuselage. She did her best to assist passengers and her fellow crew members despite her injuries. She would have liked to return to work but these injuries prevented her from doing so. She is the only

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living Flight Attendant who survived the incident; and

**WHEREAS**, after the crash of flight 625, American Airlines discontinued flights to STT for a number of years, until the runway was extended by 2,400 feet. Lessons learned in this incident also resulted in improvements to Pilot safety procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, while this event occurred before APFA was chartered in 1977, the Flight Attendants involved, two of whom lived to become APFA members, deserve to be honored and commended for their bravery and commitment to the safety of their passengers and co-workers.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED,** that the APFA Board of Directors honor Janet Chamberlin, and, posthumously, Lou Bender, Betty Pickett, and Joan Carrara with the Jose Chiu Award for their bravery and heroism on American Airlines Flight 625 on April 27, 1976.