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FLEOA endorses efforts to install secondary barriers on all commercial aircrafts

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WASHINGTON, DC – Nathan Catura, President of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association (FLEOA), the nation’s largest non-partisan, not-for-profit professional association representing more than 27,000 federal law enforcement officers and agents across 65 federal agencies, today issued the following statement in support of secondary barriers on commercial aircrafts.

“FLEOA, and particularly the Federal Air Marshal Service agency membership, endorses efforts within the airline industry to install secondary barriers on all existing and new commercial aircrafts. We urge the airline industry to install these barriers immediately,” Catura explained.

Catura furthered, **“Under the 2018 FAA Reauthorization Act, secondary barriers were legally required in all new commercial aircrafts. Unfortunately, this left a dangerous area of vulnerability still present in all existing aircrafts.”**

“Ensuring all aircrafts have a secondary barrier is the safest and most secure course of action. Therefore, we also call upon Congress and the President to sign and pass into law H.R. 911, the Saracini Enhanced Safety Act of 2019, and require the aviation industry to comply.” Catura concluded, **“FLEOA FAMS has received unprecedented industry support, including the Association of Flight Attendants-CWA (AFA-CWA) and Air Line Pilots Association (ALPA). We join together to bring attention to this dangerous and unnecessary operational vulnerability.”**

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