



PASS Congratulates Secretary Buttigieg

The Professional Aviation Safety Specialists, AFL-CIO (PASS) congratulates Pete Buttigieg on his confirmation as Secretary of the Department of Transportation (DOT). He was confirmed today by a bipartisan Senate vote of 86–13. PASS represents 11,000 employees at the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) who protect, maintain and certify the largest, safest and most complex air traffic control system in the world. PASS National President Mike Perrone serves on the FAA’s Safety Oversight and Certification Advisory Committee and the Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) Advisory Committee, both of which report to the DOT secretary. “I look forward to working with Secretary Buttigieg on these important committees,” Perrone said. “I applaud the secretary for his pro-worker positions and know that he will ensure that the FAA employees we represent have the resources and staffing necessary to perform their safety critical work on behalf of the American people.” The PASS leader also noted that the frontline employees at the agency stand ready to work with the secretary and the FAA administrator to implement changes to aircraft certification that were included in the omnibus legislation signed late last year that funded the government through FY2021.