LOSSES OVER TIME

What We've Lost — and Why a Union Matters

- 1. Merit Increases: Employees are eligible for two merit raises per year, with a combined potential increase of up to 7%.
- 2. Profit Sharing: The company offers a profit-sharing program; however, payouts are not guaranteed and vary from year to year.
- 3. Retirement Plans: Employees participate in a traditional pension plan, with a portable pension option expected to be introduced soon.
- 4. Shift Differential: Additional compensation is provided for employees working non-standard shifts.
- 5. Historical Pay Adjustment: A 5% pay reduction was implemented in 2008.
- 6. Health Insurance: Employee-only health coverage was previously provided at no cost.
- 7. Vacation and Sick Leave Buy-Back: Employees were recently given the option to sell back up to two weeks of vacation and two weeks of sick leave. While presented as a benefit, this effectively means exchanging personal time for pay rather than receiving an additional company-funded benefit.
- 8. Cost-of-Living Comparisons: The company conducts cost-of-living evaluations but continues to state that employee compensation is below market averages, even though staff now work five days a week in one of the most expensive suburbs of Memphis. These comparisons also overlook the higher crime rates in Memphis relative to safer cities where other airlines are headquartered.
- 9. We continue to face unnecessary disruptions like control center relocations over minor inconveniences, a lack of shift differential overrides, and unresolved jump seat processes including the absence of a commuter clause, pilot-over-GOC position conflicts, and limitations on FAM ride destinations