

## Daniels Calls for Transparency, Integrity, Solidarity in Opening Remarks at ATX

NATCA President Nick Daniels opened the second biennial Activism and Training Expo (ATX) this morning, addressing a packed general session at Caesars Palace. His message was clear: transparency, integrity, and solidarity are the keys to building a stronger future for NATCA members.

"Welcome to ATX, a week designed to inspire, educate, and empower each of you to lead in your facilities and beyond," Daniels said. "This event is about equipping you with the tools and knowledge to strengthen the foundation of our union."



Daniels reminded attendees of their critical role in the Union's success. "In ancient times, the arena was where challenges were met with courage, unity, and a resolve to win," Daniels said. "Each of you here today is in that arena — not as spectators, but as participants, doing the work, and standing tall for what's right, not because it's easy, but because it's necessary."

With over 4.5 billion passengers traversing U.S. airspace last year, Daniels praised NATCA members for their unwavering commitment to aviation safety. "Demanding perfection while facing six-day workweeks, short staffing, and relentless pressure makes NATCA members nothing short of extraordinary."

The goal of ATX is more than sharing knowledge. Education is the foundation for unity, the antidote to division, and the driving force behind solidarity. This week is about building bridges, fostering connections, and ensuring that every member has the power to lead and inspire in their facilities. "Together, we'll prove that through education, NATCA will continue to rise and thrive," Daniels said.

"For too long, we've allowed division to distract us from our shared purpose," Daniels said. "The heart of NATCA is education and collaboration — coming together to build a stronger, more united Union. By equipping ourselves with knowledge and tools, NATCA members empower one another to reject misinformation, overcome challenges, and stand shoulder to shoulder in solidarity. When we focus on what unites us, nothing can defeat NATCA."

With more than 60 unique courses offered at ATX throughout this week, Daniels called on NATCA members to learn, share, and rise above the forces that seek to divide our Union. "Together, we must reject anything that divides us. The power of a union is its members."

Daniels closed with a call to action for NATCA members. "This week isn't just about training — it's about igniting a movement. Let's commit to being the best activists we can be and ensure NATCA remains a beacon of strength in labor for generations to come."

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