

## STATEMENT ON DAUPHIN AC PLANE CRASH TRAGEDY

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FREMONT CITY, FREMONT— My fellow Americans, good day to you. Today, I was informed of the horrific tragedy that struck the town of Dauphin, Atlantic yesterday. For those who are unaware, an American Airlines flight from New York, bound for Phoenix Fremont, crashed in Dauphin after suffering a fatal malfunction of unspecified cause while in the air. The Boeing 737 aircraft fell just outside the town in the Susquehanna River, killing over one hundred civilians.

It is a great tragedy to see such mass loss of civilian life. The flight was set for a destination within this very state, with many of the passengers likely Fremonters returning home from family trips or business events. Unfortunately, none of those people made it back to the Western state as a result of the accident. However, their spirits will remain forever here in the hearts of their family, their friends, and of their fellow Americans. I know that every citizen in Fremont at this time stands with me when I say that our deepest sympathies and prayers are with the loved ones of the deceased.

Tomorrow, I will be making a trip to Phoenix, Arizona to visit a temporary memorial which we intend to set up outside the airport, where I will partake in a prayer and a wreath laying for the deceased, to bring home the souls of those who did not make it home. I hope that I will be able to meet some of the loved ones of the Fremonters who died during this tragedy and share with them my deepest condolences.

Furthermore, I wish to extent my sympathies to the people of Atlantic. While many of those on the flight would have been Fremonters returning home, there will be many Atlanticans who were coming to visit our great Western state, who did not get the opportunity to do so. I extend my sympathies to the families of these deceased, as well as to Governor Pacman and all of the people of Atlantic, in this difficult time.

As a Latter Day Saint myself, I believe that death is not the end. That those who have died will be taken, lovingly, into the kingdom of our Heavenly Father where they may one day be enthroned among their loved ones forever. But this does not make death any less painful for



those of us who are left behind. This is, indeed, a dark day for America, and for Atlantic and Fremont in particular.

May God guide the deceased easily into His kingdom, and may God bless these United States.

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