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RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD
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V. M. SPEAKMAN, JR.
LABOR MEMBER

OFFICE OF LABOR MEMBER

Mr. Freddie N. Simpson
President
Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employes
20300 Civic Center Drive, Suite 320
Southfield, MI 48076

Dear Mr. Simpson: *Freddie*

I wish to inform you that I intend to retire from my position as the Labor Member of the Railroad Retirement Board. I intend to retire once my replacement has been confirmed by the Senate, but no sooner than January 1, 2011.

I wish to extend my most sincere and heartfelt appreciation to all of rail labor for its unwavering support during my tenure as the Labor Member. It has been a privilege and a pleasure working with you and serving our constituents, the rail labor community.

Sincerely,

V. M. Speakman, Jr.
Labor Member

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