

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE  
BROTHERHOOD OF MAINTENANCE OF WAY EMPLOYEES

# Who's on the side of **TRANSPORTATION Workers?**



**JOHN KERRY**



**GEORGE W. BUSH**

**Protects railroad retirement.** Voted to expand survivor benefits, lower the retirement age and strengthen long-term solvency of railroad retirement plans. (H.R. 10, R.C. 351, 12/5/01)

**Understands that Amtrak needs full funding.** Supports a long-term plan for a national Amtrak system. (Co-sponsored S. 104, 1/9/03)

**Will fight for rail and transit security.** Strongly supports training workers to meet rail security threats and helping Amtrak and local transit systems improve safety and security. (Co-sponsor of S. 1530, 10/11/01)

**Threatens railroad retirement.** Undermined efforts to pass much-needed reforms to strengthen the railroad retirement system. (*Chicago Sun Times*, 7/30/01)

**Threatens the survival of Amtrak.** Wants to slash Amtrak service to hundreds of cities and take away thousands of rail workers' jobs. (Bush FY 2005 budget proposal)

**Ignored threats to rail and transit security.** Failed to respond to security threats to the nation's railroad and transit systems. (*Boston Globe*, 5/6/04)

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How you vote is a personal decision. However, after carefully examining where the candidates stand on working family issues, the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees believes John Kerry is the best presidential candidate for working families.

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