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The President today announced his intention to nominate Kay McMurray, of Hinsdale, Illinois, for reappointment as a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 1977. He was initially appointed on October 3, 1972, to serve a term expiring July 1, 1974.

Mr. McMurray was born March 18, 1918, in Oakley, Idaho, and received his A.B. degree from the Stanford University in 1940. He joined United Air Lines in 1940 and became a captain in 1942 after attending flight school and serving as a copilot for thirteen months. During this time he was elected to the United Air Lines Pilot Negotiating Committee. From 1949 to 1953, Mr. McMurray returned to Boise, Idaho, where he was Assistant to the President of Inland Empire Insurance Company, a registered representative (NYSE) with Wegener & Dely and legislative representative for the Western Highway Institute.

From 1953 to 1971, Mr. McMurray was Executive Administrator of the Air Line Pilots Association and from 1971 to 1972 he was Special Consultant to the President of United Airlines.

Mr. McMurray is married. He and his wife have three children.

The National Mediation Board was established in 1934 and consists of three members, not more than two of whom may be members of the same political party. The Board designates its own Chairman annually. The principal duty of the Board is to mediate differences between the railroads, the express and Pullman companies, and the airlines on the one hand, and their employees on the other, growing out of their attempts to make and maintain agreements establishing rates of pay, rules, and working conditions of the employees as directed by the Railway Labor Act.

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