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NEWS RELEASE

Presidential Inauguration or World-Class Ski Resorts - Get There Nonstop from Silicon Valley

Southwest Airlines Now Flies to the U.S. Capital and Salt Lake City

*-- New Daily Service to Baltimore/Washington
and Two Daily Flights to Salt Lake City begin November 6 --*

San José, Calif. – No matter who you're supporting on Election Day, you'll want to plan a winter getaway once you cast your vote. [Southwest Airlines](#) has you covered from [Mineta San José International Airport](#) (SJC) with nonstop flights to both Baltimore/Washington (BWI) and Salt Lake City (SLC) beginning Nov. 6, 2016. Southwest will offer a daily flight to BWI and twice-daily service to SLC on Boeing 737 NextGeneration aircraft which feature satellite WiFi, free LiveTV and movies. Visit [Southwest.com](#) to book or for more information.

"Silicon Valley travelers have another reason to choose SJC with convenient nonstop service to Baltimore/Washington and Salt Lake City on Southwest Airlines. Our nation's capital is a top travel destination for Bay Area lawmakers, government and business leaders, and biotech and defense contractors. Utah's capital is a leading center for business, research, education, and year-round leisure activities," said San José Mayor Sam Liccardo. "These new flights will be warmly welcomed by business and leisure travelers alike."

The flights announced in spring 2016 are just the ticket for a winter getaway to the U.S. capital to attend the [2017 Presidential Inauguration](#) scheduled on January 20, or to visit beautiful Salt Lake City and its [world-class ski resorts](#).

Strong demand exists for nonstop service to both Washington, DC and Salt Lake City:

- The Washington metropolitan area, previously unserved nonstop from San José, was the second most requested domestic destination in corporate surveys of Silicon Valley travelers;
- The U.S. capital region is among the top destinations for high-tech and government business travelers, as well as tourists;
- Travelers can easily connect through BWI, which ranks among Southwest's top focal cities in its system, to many cities served by Southwest along the East Coast, across Florida, and in the Caribbean; and

(more)

- Salt Lake City, Utah's capital, is a leading center for business, research and education, and is an important tourist destination offering world-class ski resorts, beautiful national parks, and friendly and festive neighborhoods.

BWI and SLC flights operate to and from SJC as follows:

City Pair	Departs	Arrives
SJC – BWI	6:35 a.m.	2:35 p.m.
BWI – SJC	2:30 p.m.	5:35 p.m.
SJC – SLC	9:15 a.m. 8:40 p.m.	12:05 p.m. 11:20 p.m.
SLC – SJC	9:35 a.m. 6:25 p.m.	10:35 a.m. 7:20 p.m.

“Two new routes for travelers in San Jose, a city we've served since 1993, typifies the kind of difference we aim to make in connecting many of our long-time markets with new nonstop, time-saving service,” said Andrew Watterson, Southwest's Senior Vice President of Network and Revenue. “In addition to offering the most seats to travelers using Washington's three commercial airports, we carry more people to, from and within California every day than anyone else with a value no one can approach.”

“Southwest Airlines is being responsive to Silicon Valley travelers by launching nonstop flights to the U.S. capital via Baltimore/Washington, a top requested domestic destination by business travelers. With additional service to Salt Lake City, these new flights enhance the strong relationship between Southwest and our community which now has more choices in nonstop destinations and convenient flight times,” said Director of Aviation Kim Becker.

Southwest Airlines now offers 76 peak daily departures from SJC to 15 cities: Austin, Burbank, Baltimore/Washington, Chicago/Midway, Dallas/Love Field, Denver, Las Vegas, Los Angeles/LAX, Ontario, Orange County/Santa Ana, Phoenix, Portland, Salt Lake City, San Diego and Seattle.

Southwest Airlines is the only SJC carrier to offer nonstop service to the U.S. capital. Service between San José and Salt Lake City is currently offered once-daily by [Alaska Airlines](#) and up to five times per day on [Delta Air Lines](#).

About Southwest Airlines Co.

In its 46th year of service, Dallas-based Southwest Airlines (NYSE: LUV) continues to differentiate itself from other air carriers with exemplary Customer Service delivered by more than 53,000 Employees to more than 100 million Customers annually. Southwest operates more than 3,900 departures a day during peak travel season across a network of 98 destinations in the United States and seven additional countries with service to Varadero, Cuba beginning Nov. 13, 2016, and to Havana, Cuba, beginning Dec. 12, 2016, both routes subject to governmental approvals. Book Southwest Airlines' low fares online at [Southwest.com](#) or by phone at **800-I-FLY-SWA**.

About Mineta San José International Airport

Mineta San José International Airport (SJC) is Silicon Valley's airport, a self-supporting enterprise owned and operated by the City of San José. SJC serves more than 10.5 million passengers annually, with 173 peak daily departures on 14 domestic and international carriers to 40 nonstop destinations. [See SJC facts here](#). For more airport information, visit [flysanJosé.com](#).