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**A NEW VOICE IN THE OPPOSITION AGAINST ALL ABOARD FLORIDA**  
FORMER HEAD OF A CHICAGO RAILROAD CHALLENGES AAF

SOUTH FLORIDA — [“Citizens Against The Train Fund”](#) (CATT) announces the launch of a six-part video series featuring Harry Bruce, former C.E.O. and President of the Illinois Central Railroad challenging All Aboard Florida (AAF). In each short video, Mr. Bruce takes on topics that resonate with the public’s concerns about the proposed high-speed passenger rail system, including safety issues, the lack of profitability of private rail, a request for over a billion dollars in federal financing while claiming AAF is a private venture, and a challenge to the number of cars AAF says its service will take off the highways. In the first video, Mr. Bruce raises safety concerns about the use of current rail roadbeds built for freight and proposed for use by a high-speed rail service. Click here to view the video: [Dangerous Roadbeds](#).

Harry Bruce came to the attention of CATT after writing a letter to the editor sharing his concerns with the Miami Herald. Read the letter here: [Harry Bruce Miami Herald Letter to the Editor](#). In the letter and video series, Mr. Bruce urges taxpayers to ask AAF executives why they are proposing to build and finance passenger rail service when it has proven to be unprofitable throughout the country. A new video will be released each week on the CATT website and [YouTube Channel](#).

Mr. Bruce knows railroads well. From shoveling coal on a steam locomotive in college to C-E-O of the Chicago short-line railroad, Mr. Bruce spent the majority of his career working on trains and railroads.

AAF is a proposed high-speed passenger train service that will travel up and down the east coast of Florida 32 times a day at speeds of up to 110 mph. The train will run through populated cities and towns between Miami and Orlando, with stops in Ft. Lauderdale and West Palm Beach. Residents are concerned about safety, traffic congestion and a decline in property values. The maritime industry is concerned about limits to the waterways when bridges are down to allow the trains to pass. The Coast Guard is taking comments from boaters now on the potential impact and an Environmental Impact Study (EIS) is expected in the next few weeks. The EIS will open a 75-day public comment period.

The goal to reach 100,000 petition signatures is almost one-third completed. The petition will be sent to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and Florida Governor Rick Scott. If you haven't done so already, please sign the petition against All Aboard Florida at <https://www.citizensagainstthetrain.com>. Residents are encouraged to share the petition with friends and neighbors.

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