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**Anti-Rail Expansion Group Set to Issue  
Report Cards to Federal, State and Local Candidates**

*~CARE FL issues survey to measure candidates position about Brightline/All Aboard Florida project~*

**Jupiter, FL** – The Coalition Against Rail Expansion in Florida (CARE FL), created by a group of concerned community leaders, organizations and neighbors in the Treasure Coast and north Palm Beach County regions, today announced that a survey has been sent to candidates seeking public office in those regions. CARE FL is seeking to determine where candidates stand on rail expansion and will communicate the answers to the community in a “report card.”

“For the past two years, we have worked closely with elected leaders, business leaders and first responders in this region to educate the public on the negative impacts of the Brightline/ All Aboard Florida (AAF) project,” said Jane Feinstein, community volunteer and member of the CARE FL Steering Committee who serves as the chairman of the group’s survey initiative. “Until Election Day and beyond, we will actively pursue all possible legal and public communication channels to stop the ill-conceived AAF rail project that will destroy our quality of life and put our residents in harm’s way.”

CARE FL sent the survey instrument to candidates for the U.S. Senate, Congressional District 18, the Florida Legislature, and county commissions in Martin, Indian River, St. Lucie and Palm Beach counties – some 120 in total.

The survey has twelve questions that are qualitative and quantitative, and allows for additional comments. Responses are due back to the group by Friday, June 17, so that results can be compiled and communicated to voters well prior to early voting and to the distribution of absentee ballots for the August 30 primary.

“Our concerns are based upon the financial implications of rail expansion for communities and municipalities, as well as on safety, environmental and waterway impact,” added Brent Hanlon, Chairman of the CARE FL Steering Committee. “Our goal is to protect the safety, welfare and way of life for the families, businesses and retirees who live in our communities.”

Hanlon also added that CARE FL is especially grateful to its members, and many supporters who have gone the extra mile, especially several federal, state and local elected leaders who have shown unwavering leadership and courage throughout this process. While the survey is being sent to all candidates in the identified regions, there are several who have been CARE FL “Champions.”

For more information about CARE FL, please visit [www.saveourfl.com](http://www.saveourfl.com), or follow us on [Twitter](#) or like us on [Facebook](#).

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## **About CARE FL**

*CARE FL is a coalition created by a group of concerned community leaders, organizations and neighbors in South Florida and the Treasure Coast who share a common goal: protecting the safety, welfare and way of life for the families, businesses and retirees who live in and around these communities by stopping the proposed rail expansion known as Brightline/All Aboard Florida. Based on facts and a commonsense understanding of the reality of life with trains – and waterways, causeways, draw bridges and other infrastructures that define day-to-day life in the Treasure Coast and South Florida regions – the citizens that comprise CARE FL believe that continued rail expansion will have a significant and negative impact on the more than 10 million people who live in and around the areas currently targeted for rail expansion. For more information, please visit [www.saveourfl.com](http://www.saveourfl.com).*