## TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

INDIAN RIVER - ST. LUCIE - MARTIN - PALM BEACH

May 21, 2014

The Honorable Rick Scott, Governor Office of Governor Rick Scott State of Florida, The Capitol 400 S. Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Subject: Extension of the Public Comment Period for the All Aboard Florida Draft Environmental

Impact Statement

Dear Governor Scott:

At its May 16, 2014 meeting, the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council voted unanimously to request your assistance in appealing to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) to extend the public comment period for the draft environmental impact statement for the All Aboard Florida project from 45 to 90 days. The proposed AAF project is an expansive project traversing nearly 200 miles of Florida's east coast. Council has conducted extensive public outreach on the topic and several potential impacts to the region's communities have been identified.

Numerous local governments and members of the public have expressed their concerns regarding potential impacts this project will have on their businesses, homes, safety, and quality of life. A request from you for an extension of the public comment period would underscore to the FRA the strong desire across the region to ensure all impacts are reviewed and mitigated.

Thank you for your support of this request and your service to Florida.

Sincerely,

Peter D. O'Bryan

Chairman, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

cc: All Treasure Coast Local Governments Treasure Coast Legislative Delegation

Treasure Coast Congressional Delegation