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### **ASLRRRA Statement on Selection of David Fink to Lead FRA**

**WASHINGTON, December 21, 2024** – Chuck Baker, President of the American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association (ASLRRRA) issues the following statement in response to the announcement that David Fink will be nominated by President-elect Trump to lead the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA).

“ASLRRRA is excited to support the nomination of David Fink to lead the Federal Railroad Administration. David will bring a fulsome understanding of the entirety of the unique, interconnected U.S. freight rail network. As the CEO of short line railroad PanAm Railways prior to its sale, David was an active and respected participant in our Association. Under his leadership, PanAm was an industry-award winning company. He has extensive experience interacting with all of the relevant stakeholders in the rail industry.

We know him as a high energy, solution-minded strategist, and, following his confirmation, look forward to working with him on smart regulations that advance the safety of rail in the U.S. and on expediting the FRA’s critical infrastructure investment programs.”

**About ASLRRRA** - The American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association (ASLRRRA) is a non-profit trade association representing the interests of the nation’s 603 short line and regional railroads and railroad supply company members in legislative and regulatory matters. Short lines operate 50,000 route miles of track in 48 states, or approximately 30% of the national railroad network, touching in origination or termination one out of every five cars moving on the national railroad system, serving customers who otherwise would be cut off from the national railroad network. [www.aslrra.org](http://www.aslrra.org)

