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**FROM THE  
DESK OF THE  
PRESIDENT**



**T**his has been a time of "conclusions"  
for the FRRS. The 1997 operating  
season is just about completed (and  
will be by the time you read this),  
and, hopefully, the saga of VIA "B" unit 6860  
has also concluded. Both of these items have  
consumed many hours of FRRS volunteers' time  
and effort, but only one was beneficial to all.  
The division created by differing opinions  
concerning the 6860 means only a portion of  
those involved have been gratified by the Board  
of Directors' action (the motion to sell the 6860  
was defeated by a 5-4 vote), while the others  
were disappointed.

I would like to thank all of the FRRS members  
who took time to ensure their opinion was  
received and heard by one or more Directors.  
And, to those who were in favor of keeping the  
6860, I'll be looking for your contributions of  
time, labor, and financial assistance for its  
upkeep. It won't happen automatically.

*— Steve Habeck*