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Flying Yankee Train is One of “Seven to Save”

NASHUA, NH – The Flying Yankee Association (FYA) is pleased to announce that the *Flying Yankee* streamlined trainset has been included in the 2022 “Seven to Save” list compiled by the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance (NHPA).

The historic *Flying Yankee*, built in 1935, offered speed, comfort, and technical innovation for passengers in New Hampshire and its three neighboring states during the Great Depression, World War II, and the postwar era. The Art Deco icon, just the third streamliner ever constructed in North America, was substantially restored in the early 2000s. However, it requires more detailed and expert attention before it can return to the rails. The FYA announced just last month that it would be taking on this daunting project with experienced volunteer labor, matching grants, and a variety of for-profit and non-profit partnerships, starting with transferring ownership of the historic train from the State of New Hampshire to the FYA.

The NHPA was born as Inherit New Hampshire in 1985 in response to rapid growth that was changing traditional New Hampshire landscapes. The 501(c)(3) non-profit organization worked to advance preservation policy and to address the needs of local communities and individuals. The organization became the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance in 2000 to reflect its historic preservation mission and reliance on many partners working collaboratively.

The “Seven to Save” list was first established in 2006 and highlights irreplaceable landmarks in the State of New Hampshire that are under-used or threatened by neglect, insufficient funds, or unsympathetic development. Over one hundred important landmarks have been listed to this program, with over half successfully saved. The inclusion of the *Flying Yankee* on this list recognizes the value of the train as a significant artifact of New Hampshire culture, and it allows the FYA to access a select group of concerned preservation-minded individuals with experience protecting New Hampshire landmarks. Their knowledge and expertise will be invaluable in the restoration of the *Flying Yankee* to operation.

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The Flying Yankee Association would like to thank the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance for recognizing the *Flying Yankee*'s significance and drawing greater attention to the project through its inclusion on the Seven to Save list.

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*The Flying Yankee Restoration Group d/b/a **Flying Yankee Association** is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization that is responsible for raising and managing funds related to the restoration of the famous Flying Yankee train, originally owned and operated by the Boston & Maine Railroad. For more information, please visit the FYA website at www.flyingyankee.org, or find the organization on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.*