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**TAKE THE "A" TRAIN**

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DRUMS

MEDIUM SWING

BRUSHES H.H.

*mf* R.H.H.  
FOOT

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The drum score is written on ten staves, numbered 6 through 50. The notation includes various rhythmic patterns and rests. Key features include:

- Staff 6: Rests for measures 6-7, followed by a pattern in measure 8.
- Staff 7: Rests for measures 11-12, followed by a pattern in measure 13.
- Staff 8: Rests for measures 16-17, followed by a pattern in measure 18.
- Staff 9: Rests for measures 21-22, followed by a pattern in measure 23.
- Staff 10: Rests for measures 26-27, followed by a pattern in measure 28.
- Staff 11: Rests for measures 31-32, followed by a pattern in measure 33.
- Staff 12: Rests for measures 36-37, followed by a pattern in measure 38.
- Staff 13: Rests for measures 41-42, followed by a pattern in measure 43.
- Staff 14: Rests for measures 46-47, followed by a pattern in measure 48.
- Staff 15: Rests for measures 51-52, followed by a pattern in measure 53.

Handwritten annotations include circled numbers 5, 13, 21, 29, 37, and 45, which likely indicate specific rhythmic motifs or accents. The notation also includes dynamic markings like *mf* and performance instructions like 'BRUSHES H.H.' and 'FOOT'.

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Musical notation for measures 111-112. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 101-105. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 96-100. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 86-90. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 76-80. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 66-70. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 56-60. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 46-50. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 36-40. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 26-30. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

Musical notation for measures 15-20. Includes notes and rests on a staff.

BRUSHES (50)

TO BRUSHES

(67) 0 + 0

(68) 2E

(68)

TO STICKS

(73) + 1/2 OPEN H.H.

(69)

(73)