



Northern Flyer Alliance
Passenger Rail Kansas
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To Whom It May Concern,

The Old Town Association (OTA) represents the businesses and residents in the Old Town area of Wichita, Kansas. We promote tourism and development in the downtown area of Wichita which borders the central rail corridor through Wichita.

The OTA endorses the proposed expansion of Amtrak service through Wichita between Oklahoma City and Kansas City with a stop in Wichita and further supports the efforts of the Northern Flyer Alliance to bring about this service expansion. We understand that the Northern Flyer Alliance is a grassroots effort endeavoring to extend north to Kansas City the existing Amtrak service between Ft. Worth and Oklahoma City.

Current developments in the tightening of federal environmental ozone standards and significant increases in fuel and energy costs support reexamination of passenger rail service as a public transit alternative to transit by highway passenger vehicles.

Designating the Old Town area of Wichita as a stopping point on the proposed expanded rail service route would be a great benefit to the surrounding area.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Charlie Claycomb".

Charlie Claycomb
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