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The Honorable Governor Brad Henry  
c/o State Capitol Building  
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Honorable Governor Henry,

I am writing on behalf of the present efforts to extend the Heartland Flyer train service north from Oklahoma City, OK, on into south central Kansas. The line would parallel the Oklahoma communities of Edmond, Guthrie, Perry, and Ponca City. Further continuance of the line to Kansas City and then Chicago would be the ultimate goal proving a link between Dallas/Fort Worth, Oklahoma City, Kansas City and Chicago.

Enhanced transportation opportunities through the state north of Oklahoma City will increase tourism and economic development to the communities mentioned, others in proximity and the state of Oklahoma. The northern half of our state is now underserved by way of rail line which leaves many opportunities and other development unfulfilled.

The Ponca City Main Street program and its board of directors supports the expansion of the Heartland Flyer route as a means to enhance the economy, infrastructure and quality of life advantages its service would offer the state of Oklahoma. Please seriously consider its funding and support.

Respectfully,

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CC:

Evan Stair, Oklahoma Director, Northern Flyer Alliance  
Nancy Tyndall, Chairwoman of the Board, PCMS