RESOLUTION NO. 2008-48

A CITY OF TOPEKA/BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHAWNEE COUNTY JOINT RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE EXPANSION OF AMTRAK SERVICES IN TOPEKA AND SHAWNEE COUNTY

SPONSORED BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS BUHLER, ENSLEY, MILLER, AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS ORTIZ, ALCALA, AND WOELFEL

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Shawnee, Kansas and the City of Topeka desire Amtrak to provide a full line of customer service to the residents of Topeka and Shawnee County; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Flyer Alliance is a grassroots effort designed to extend existing Amtrak service from Dallas to Oklahoma City further to Kansas City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Topeka is currently designated as a stopping point on the proposed service expansion; and

WHEREAS, The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Shawnee, Kansas and the City of Topeka recognize the financial, environmental, and quality of life advantages of having Amtrak service in Topeka and Shawnee County, Kansas.

NOW THEREFORE, The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Shawnee, Kansas, meeting in regular session this 31st day of March, 2008, and the City Council adopting and approving this _____ day of April, 2008, do hereby resolve as follows:

1. The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Shawnee, Kansas and the City of Topeka support the expansion of Amtrak service from Oklahoma City through Arkansas City to Kansas City and, further, supports the efforts of the Northern Flyer Alliance in their efforts to bring about this service expansion.

2. The Board of County Commissioners of the County of Shawnee, Kansas and the City of Topeka request that Amtrak make the City of Topeka a stopping point for of n

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| service between Oklahoma City and | d Kansas City and that Amtrak provide a full line of |
| customer service including "Red Ca | p" services, such as baggage handling, at its station i |
| Topeka, Kansas. | • |
| Commission of the state of the | BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHAWNEE COUNTY, KANSAS Michele A. Buhler, Chair Vic Miller, Vice-Chair Theodore D. Ensley, Member |
| ATTEST: | |
| Cynthia A. Beck, Shawnee County | Clerk |
| | CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS |
| | William W. Bunten, Mayor |
| ATTEST: | |
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Brenda Younger, City Clerk