

April 24, 2008

The Honorable Brad Henry Governor of the State of Oklahoma 212 State Capitol Building Oklahoma City, OK73105

## Dear Governor Henry:

The Edmond Area Chamber of Commerce is aware that there is discussion about expanding Amtrak service to Newton, Kansas. This expansion, in our opinion, would be beneficial to Oklahoma by providing more travel options for its residents.

We are pleased to join the City of Edmond and Mayor Dan O'Neal in requesting that Edmond be included in any Department of Transportation plans for the expansion of this service. With a growing population and a vibrant diverse economy, we believe a stop in Edmond near our Downtown area would be beneficial to any efforts to expand service.

We respectfully request that Edmond be considered as a stop on any expansion of The Heartland Flyer into Kansas and ask that representatives of our community be involved in future discussions on this important transportation issue.

Sincerely,

Ken Moore

President & CEO

cc: Mayor Dan O'Neal
Members – Edmond City Council
Larry Stevens – City Manager
Janet Yowell – EEDA
Evan Stair – Executive Director, PRO
Peggy Geib – Chairman of the Board, Edmond Chamber