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Ms. Noranne Downs
District 5 Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation
1719 S. Woodland Boulevard
Deland, Florida 32720

Re: SunRail Funding Support
High Speed Rail Support

Received
AUG 13 2008
D5 Executive Suite

Dear Ms. Downs:

This letter is provided to reiterate our commitment to the SunRail project and to support the Application for High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Track 1 Funding of the Florida Department of Transportation for right-off-way acquisition for the 61.5 mile corridor that will facilitate intercity rail travel.

Further, the City of Maitland supports the Florida Department of Transportation Track 2 Application for Funding the Florida High Speed Rail Program (connecting Tampa, Orlando, and Miami); and the Florida Department of Transportation Track 2 Application for Funding Amtrak Service between Jacksonville and Miami on Florida's East Coast Railroad through the High Speed Intercity Rail Program.

All three of these systems will become an integral part of Florida's balanced transportation system and, with concurrent development of improvements to other passenger rail and bus transit, will greatly enhance the mobility of the traveling public within Florida.

The City of Maitland is committed to championing multi-modal transportation systems throughout all of Florida that will contribute significantly to enhancing the vitality and quality of life for all those who live in and visit Florida.

If we can be of any assistance during the application period, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,


Douglas T. Kinson
Mayor