

## **DAILY SUNSET RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS, the Sunset Limited is part of Amtrak's basic national train network connecting Louisiana, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and California,**

**WHEREAS, the five states have seen a population growth in the counties served by the Sunset of 22% between the years 2000 to 2016,**

**WHEREAS, in Texas during the same time period the growth has been 34%,**

**WHEREAS, due to increasing congestion on the I-10 corridor serving San Antonio, safe, affordable, reliable alternatives to automobile and air travel are needed to assure San Antonio's continued growth and prosperity, and**

**WHEREAS, the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, DBA Amtrak, currently serves San Antonio with its Sunset Limited passenger train only three times a week with connections to six other communities in Texas and four other states,**

**WHEREAS, a daily Sunset Limited will enhance connectivity with the daily Amtrak Texas Eagle service from San Antonio to Chicago,**

**WHEREAS, Amtrak has announce it plan to handle ticketing for the Texas Central Rail which will have connection with the Sunset in Houston,**

**WHEREAS, increasing the Sunset Limited's frequency to daily would greatly increase its value to the travelling public, providing connections to other existing daily trains and transportation hubs in New Orleans, San Antonio and Los Angeles as well as to the proposed Texas Central Railway line to Dallas, and**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Antonio hereby respectfully request that Amtrak increase the frequency of service of the Sunset Limited to daily as soon as practicable [but no later than January 1, 2020].**