

# City of DeFuniak Springs

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Amtrak  
Alexander Kummant  
60 Massachusetts Avenue, North East  
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Dear Mr. Kummant,

I was recently made aware of your desire to resume Amtrak's *Sunset Limited* service that links the Panhandle to New Orleans and points west and east through stops in Pensacola, Crestview, Chipley, Tallahassee and Madison. This service is greatly important to tourism and commerce in the Florida Panhandle and the City of DeFuniak Springs supports you in this effort.

DeFuniak Springs located halfway between Pensacola and Tallahassee Florida would be a perfect flag stop for those utilizing the *Sunset Limited* service. Our railroad depot, which presently includes the Walton County Heritage Association Museum, would be a perfect place to include a ticket booth and a flag stop for those traveling this route and would provide them with a wonderful opportunity to visit Historic DeFuniak Springs.

I look forward to hearing from you with regard to this offer and for the opportunity to partner with Amtrak in making this dream a reality.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

C. Harold Carpenter  
Mayor of DeFuniak Springs

cc: Jackson McQuigg, President, FCRP  
Kim Presnell, City Manager  
Council Members