

National Train Day Proclamation

Ford County

A proclamation of Ford County Kansas designating May 11, 2019 “Train Day in Ford County”.

Whereas, Federal and State transportation departments have made expansion of high-speed and intercity passenger rail a top priority in building 21st-Century national infrastructure; and

Whereas, a healthy freight and passenger rail network is essential to keeping the American economy moving efficiently; and

Whereas, **Ford County** has benefitted from train service on Amtrak’s *Southwest Chief* route; and

Whereas, Amtrak continues to work with states on the development of the next generation of high-speed and intercity passenger rail trains which will create good jobs in the United States by resurrecting the domestic manufacturing base; and

Whereas, During FY 2017 (October 2016- September 2017) Amtrak welcomed aboard more than 31.7 million passengers, representing the sixth straight year in which ridership has exceeded 30 million, and

Whereas, **5,289** passengers boarded or disembarked Amtrak trains in Ford County; **now therefore be it**

Resolved that the Ford County Kansas

- Greatly benefits from its place on the intercity rail network
- Passenger rail brings travelers back to American downtowns
- Designates May 11, 2019 “Train Day”

Please join us for

National Train Day Open House

May 11 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Tour the Historic Depot, and enjoy refreshments while you learn about the historic building and Theater. **Complimentary Historic Trolley Tours will be hosted on that day at 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 1:30 PM, and 3:00 PM** in observance of National Train Day at the Visitors Information Center.