



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

January 6, 2022

President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Secretary Pete Buttigieg
U.S Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC, 20590

Dear President Biden and Secretary Buttigieg,

We write you to ask for full and fair consideration to conduct a federal ridership survey to potentially expand SunRail services to include weekends.

SunRail is a commuter rail system for the Central Florida area, operating 16 stops along 61.3 miles of track, from Debary to Poinciana.

As you are undoubtedly aware, Florida has seen massive growth over the past decade. According to the U. S Census Bureau, Central Florida is the state's fastest growing region¹. Unsurprisingly, this growth places a strain on our existing infrastructure.

Federal investment into SunRail would help connect Central Floridians to better paying jobs, alleviate traffic for millions of commuters, promote commerce in the region, and improve the quality of life of our constituents in Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Volusia counties.

We invite your administration to visit the great state of Florida and experience firsthand the need for continued federal investment in infrastructure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Darren Soto".

Darren Soto
Member of Congress

cc: Metroplan Orlando, 250 South Orange Ave, Suite 200, Orlando, Florida 32801

¹ <https://www.census.gov/data/datasets/time-series/demo/popest/2010s-counties-total.html>