

**SAMPLE LETTER TO MEMBERS OF CONGRESS FROM
BMWED MEMBERS SUPPORTING HIGH SPEED
PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE**

Members are encouraged to write handwritten letters similar to the sample letter.

Dear Representative or Senator;

I urge you to fully support President Obama's high speed rail initiative which will serve to reduce dependency on foreign oil and congestion on our highways, help improve our economy, and create much needed jobs.

An investment in passenger rail is an investment in America. Passenger rail uses far less fuel and produces much less pollution than any other mode of transportation. Americans will increasingly look for alternative transportation, and without funding for passenger rail service now, our transportation system could crumble.

A number of initiatives are underway that will adversely affect high speed rail in general and Amtrak in particular. Please act quickly to block any bill that would have a negative impact on passenger rail.

Sincerely,

(NAME)

(ADDRESS)