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May 12, 1922.

Mr. H. B. Ayres, Managing Director,  
Old Spanish Trails Association,  
Battle House,  
Mobile, Ala.

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 3rd. I am asking that you pardon my delay in replying, due to my absence from the city.

With reference to the routing of the Old Spanish Trail in Florida from Tallahassee to Tampa, this would be as follows:

From Tallahassee to Perry in Taylor County and thence east to the intersection of the main road from Perry, where it intersects State Road #5; thence south on State Road #5 to Brooksville; thence west on a State aid road through Arippeka and Tarpon Springs to the Ozona cross roads which is about two miles south of Sutherland; thence over the Memorial Highway into Tampa. I am enclosing a map which I have marked showing this route, which is as near as possible to being a Gulf Coast route.

Tampa's historical fame is the most logical reason for the terminus of the Old Spanish Trail. Other reasons are its hospitable people, its being a real city, its being the hub of good roads to all Florida, it has a Latin population of about one-third of the total and the men of Tampa started the plans which finally developed into the organization of the Old Spanish Trails Association. There is much history in connection with

