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PROCLAMATION

"RAIL SAFETY WEEK" September 23 to 29, 2024

WHEREAS:

Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 23 to 29,

2024; and

WHEREAS:

229 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in

2023; resulting in 66 avoidable fatalities and 39 avoidable serious injuries;

and

WHEREAS:

educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public

that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public

awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic laws) will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries caused by incidents involving trains and

citizens; and

WHEREAS:

Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work

with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media, and

others to raise rail safety awareness; and

WHEREAS:

CN and Operation Lifesaver have requested City Council adopt this

resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives

and prevent injuries in communities including our municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANK CAMPION, Mayor of the City of Welland do hereby proclaim September 23 to 29, 2024 as "RAIL SAFETY WEEK" in the City of Welland.

In witness whereof, I have herewith set my hand and caused the great seal of the City of Welland to be affixed.

Mayor's Office September 2024



Frank Campion Mayor