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**Subject:** [POSSIBLE SPAM] Rail Safety Week 2023 | Proclamation request



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Dear Mayor Atkinson:

Every year, more than 2,100 North Americans are killed or seriously injured because of unsafe behaviour around tracks and trains. By adopting the attached draft proclamation, you can help raise awareness for rail safety in your community.

Working safely is, by far, the most important thing we do each day at CN. Every employee deserves to go home safely. Every community needs to know they will not be put in harm's way. At CN, we aspire to zero – zero fatalities, zero serious injuries, zero harm. We need your help. We firmly believe that all crossing and trespassing related incidents are preventable. By working together, we can help save lives.

Rail Safety Week will be held in Canada and the United States from September 18-24, 2023. This is an opportunity for us all to educate the public on rail safety. As a leader in your community, your council plays a key role in improving public awareness about the dangers around tracks and trains.

**Rail safety is a shared responsibility. We are asking you to engage with your communities about rail safety and to sign the enclosed proclamation highlighting your community's commitment to rail safety. We would like to publicly recognize your commitment. For us to do that, we ask that you please return the signed proclamation by e-mail to [Marie-Pier.Triganne@cn.ca](mailto:Marie-Pier.Triganne@cn.ca).**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tyler Banick, your local CN Public Affairs representative, at [Tyler.Banick@cn.ca](mailto:Tyler.Banick@cn.ca)

For more information:

- Questions or concerns about rail safety in your community, contact our Public Inquiry Line at [1-888-888-5909](tel:1-888-888-5909)
- For additional information about Rail Safety Week 2023 visit [cn.ca/railsafety](http://cn.ca/railsafety) or [operationlifesaver.ca](http://operationlifesaver.ca)
- Let us know how you promote rail safety in your community by visiting [www.cn.ca/RSW2023](http://www.cn.ca/RSW2023)

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Stephen Covey

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Chief

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Officer

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**RESOLUTION**  
**IN SUPPORT OF RAIL SAFETY WEEK**

**WHEREAS *Rail Safety Week*** is to be held across Canada from September 18 to 24, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, 232 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2022; resulting in 66 avoidable fatalities and 43 avoidable serious injuries;

**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 cause 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;

**Whereas** CN has 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;

It is proposed by Councillor \_\_\_\_\_

seconded by Councillor \_\_\_\_\_

It is hereby **RESOLVED** to support national ***Rail Safety Week*** to be held from September 18 to 24, 2023.



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