



Proclamation

Rail Safety Week

September 1, 2026

Whereas Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 21 to 27, 2026; and

Whereas 252 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2025; resulting in 69 avoidable fatalities and 60 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 Town of Aurora proclaim this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

Therefore be it resolved that, on behalf of the Corporation of the Town of Aurora, I, Mayor Tom Mrakas, do hereby proclaim September 21-27, 2026, as Rail Safety Week in the Town of Aurora.

Tom Mrakas
Mayor