

RESOLUTION 23-3

A RESOLUTION URGING THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS THE STATE OF OHIO TO ENACT LEGISLATION TO FURTHER PROTECT THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF PORT CLINTON, OHIO FROM THE INHERENT DANGERS OF A TRAIN DERAILMENT ON THE TRACKS LOCATED IN OR NEAR OUR CITY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Port Clinton has commercial train tracks located in or near the City, and

WHEREAS, Norfolk Southern Railway train operators operate on our train tracks, twenty-four (24) hours of the day, seven (7) days a week, and

WHEREAS, railway derailments have occurred twice in the State of Ohio in the past forty (40) days and said incidents have caused and will continue to cause significant medical issues to the residents of the communities where the incidents occurred and the incidents caused and will continue to cause serious damage to the infrastructure located at/near the site of the derailments and said incidents have caused and will continue to cause serious damage to the ecosystems at/near the site, and

WHEREAS, further regulation of train operators operating in the City of Port Clinton, relating to the tracks, rail cars, and employees is needed to provide the citizens in Port Clinton and throughout the State of Ohio with enhanced protection from injury and damage due to any future train derailments.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Port Clinton, State of Ohio that:

Section 1. The Council of the City of Port Clinton finds that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Port Clinton to pass a Resolution urging the Legislative Branches of the Federal Government as well as the State of Ohio to enact legislation to further protect our citizens from the inherent dangers of train tracks located in or near the City.

Section 2. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council or committees, and that all deliberations of the Council, and any of its committees, that resulted in those actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 3. This Resolution is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the City, and shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____, 2023

President of Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of Council

Approved _____, 2023

Mayor