PROCLAMATION

Rail Safety Week

WHEREAS: Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 23 to 29, 2024. 229 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2023; resulting in 66 avoidable fatalities and 39 avoidable serious injuries.

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.

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.

THEREFORE: I, Mayor Patrick Brown, on behalf of Brampton City Council, do hereby proclaim September 23-29, 2024 as “Rail Safety Week” in the City of Brampton.

Mayor Patrick Brown, City of Brampton