RESOLUTION NO. 15-008

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONCERN REGARDING RAIL TRANSPORTATION OF CRUDE OIL THROUGH THE CITY OF THE DALLES

WHEREAS, the City Council is committed to protecting the health, safety and welfare of its citizens, as well as sustaining the health of its local economy; and

WHEREAS, train derailments can lead to crude oil spills and explosions that pose a significant public health risk; and

WHEREAS, the impact of a derailment to the downtown core of the City of The Dalles has the potential to cause loss of life and devastation to the community, environment, and local economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The City Council urges the Governor of Oregon to use the powers of the State to encourage federal rules to ensure safe transport of crude oil on the rail lines in Oregon.

<u>Section 2</u>. The City Council urges the State of Oregon to require coordination among State agencies concerning preparedness and capacity to respond to an accident involving transportation of crude oil by rail.

<u>Section 3</u>. The City Council urges the Federal Government to implement safety regulations regarding train speeds and rail car designs to obtain safer transport of crude oil.

<u>Section 4</u>. The City Council urges the State of Oregon to require owners and operators transporting crude oil by rail to assume all risk and be sufficiently bonded and insured against the risk of catastrophic fire and explosion, loss of life and property, environmental destruction and damage and any other harm connected with a derailment or accident.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 26TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2015

Brown, Miller, Elliott, McGlothlin
None
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None

AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS 26TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2015

SIGNED: Lawrence Mayor

ATTEST:

Julie Krueger, MMC, City Clerk