

PROCLAMATION

Rail Safety Week

September 15 to 21, 2025

WHEREAS Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 15 to 21, 2025; and

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

WHEREAS educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railways 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 has requested the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal to adopt this proclamation in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal hereby proclaims the week of September 15 to 21, 2025 as Rail Safety Week.

Mayor Deschamps

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