

**A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE USE OF REMOTE CONTROL  
LOCOMOTIVES WITHIN THE CITY OF EVANSVILLE**

**WHEREAS, the members of the Evansville City Council are concerned about the public safety of the citizens of Evansville; and**

**WHEREAS, railroads operate within the geographic boundaries of Evansville, over public and private highway rail crossings and on property accessible to persons of all ages and abilities; and**

**WHEREAS, a significant amount of rail cargo traveling through and moving within Evansville consists of hazardous materials; and**

**WHEREAS, the United States Government has issued a safety alert against vandalism and terrorist threats against railroads; and**

**WHEREAS, members of the City Council have received information that the use of remote control locomotives is known to present significant dangers to persons and property from the possibility of collisions, derailments, and release of hazardous materials, and**

**WHEREAS, the Federal Railroad Administration has issued "guidelines" and not regulations to provide for the implementation of these operations;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Evansville, Indiana, as follows:**

**Section 1: That in the interest of safety and well-being for our citizens, the City Council of the City of Evansville requests that the Federal Railroad Administration conduct a comprehensive and thorough review of the safety of remote control locomotives and to develop comprehensive regulations for the use of remote control locomotives to ensure that the citizens of Evansville will not be at risk by the use of such devices.**

**Section 2: That the City Council of the City of Evansville requests that such remote control rail operations not be implemented or used within the City of Evansville until such time as the Federal Railroad Administration develops comprehensive regulations governing said use.**