

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 596

Approved October 29, 2001

WHEREAS, The Federal Railroad Administration reported that there were 463 fatalities and 414 injuries in the year 2000, and 5,000 fatalities since 1990 involving individuals trespassing on railroad rights-of-way, and

WHEREAS, Children are often seen playing on or near railroad tracks, and

WHEREAS, Unrestricted access to railroad tracks is a major concern in many Providence neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS, Such unrestricted access creates a major safety hazard, particularly to children.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby request:

- 1) That the Amtrak Corporation (formally named the National Railroad Passenger Corporation) to install protective fencing along railroad rights-of-way in any and all residential neighborhoods in the City of Providence, and
- 2) That the President of Amtrak, the Rhode Island Congressional Delegation, and Amtrak management overseeing operations in Rhode Island receive a copy of this resolution upon passage.

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1 By Request of Councilman Ronald W. Allen for October 18, 2001

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