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RESOLUTION #970

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING RAIL ABANDONMENT IN THE VILLAGE OF
SAUKVILLE, OZAUKEE COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

TO: Mr. Roger Nober, Chairman
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street NW
Washington DC 20423

WHEREAS, throughout all of its history local businesses and farmers have derived substantial benefits from rail service to the Saukville area; and

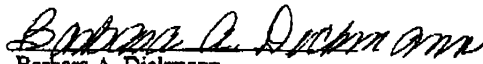
WHEREAS, future economic development opportunities for the Saukville area would be enhanced by the continued availability of rail service; and

WHEREAS, rail transportation benefits all residents of the Saukville area by reducing dependence on truck traffic, minimizing pollution and saving transportation costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Saukville opposes the abandonment of the rail line from Saukville north into Sheboygan County.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2004.

VILLAGE OF SAUKVILLE


Barbara A. Dickmann
Village President

ATTEST:


Dawn M. Wagner
Village Administrator

RESOLUTION #971**A RESOLUTION REGARDING RAIL SERVICE TO THE SAUKVILLE AREA IN THE VILLAGE OF SAUKVILLE, OZAUKEE COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

TO: Mr. Ronald Adams, Bureau of Rail Roads and Harbors, Wisconsin Department of Transportation
The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Sheboygan County, Wisconsin
The Honorable Board of Supervisors of Ozaukee County, Wisconsin

WHEREAS, throughout all of its history local businesses and farmers have derived substantial benefits from rail service to the Saukville area; and

WHEREAS, future economic development opportunities for the Saukville area would be enhanced by the continued availability of rail service; and

WHEREAS, rail transportation benefits all residents of the Saukville area by reducing dependence on truck traffic, minimizing pollution and saving transportation costs; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin and participating counties together with a contract operator have been extremely successful in rejuvenating rail lines previously scheduled for abandonment such that there are now approximately 550 miles of such rail lines.

WHEREAS, the East Wisconsin Counties Railroad Consortium was created in 1980 by state statute for the sole purpose of representing multiple counties in preserving local freight railroad service; and

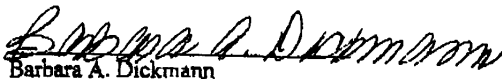
WHEREAS, at its July 14, 2004 meeting the East Wisconsin Counties Railroad Consortium passed a motion unanimously, formally welcoming the membership of Ozaukee and Sheboygan Counties if said counties so decide to join the consortium;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Saukville strongly encourages the State of Wisconsin and Sheboygan and Ozaukee Counties to acquire the rail line from Saukville to Kiel and to contract with a responsible operator for purposes of maintaining and improving dependable rail service to the Saukville area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Board of the Village of Saukville encourages Sheboygan and Ozaukee Counties to become members of the East Wisconsin Counties Railroad Consortium to facilitate the preservation of local railroad service to the Saukville area.

Dated this 3rd day of August, 2004.

VILLAGE OF SAUKVILLE


Barbara A. Dickmann
Village President

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