

**RESOLUTION NO: \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Passed: June 13, 2016**

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE GREAT LAKES BASIN RAILROAD**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rochelle has received notification from the federal Surface Transportation Board that Great Lakes Basin Transportation, Inc. is seeking authority to construct and operate an approximately 278 mile rail line that would run through real property located within one and one half miles of the corporate limits of Rochelle;

**WHEREAS**, after reviewing and considering Great Lakes Basin Transportation, Inc.'s proposal, the City Council finds that the construction and operation of such a rail line could impact future growth and development in this area; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the best interests of the City of Rochelle, its industries, citizens and taxpayers is to oppose Great Lakes Transportation, Inc.'s proposed rail line and submit this Resolution to the Surface Transportation Board as part of that agency's public comment period relating to the rail line.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Rochelle that:

**SECTION 1.** The City Council has reviewed and considered Great Lakes Basin Transportation, Inc.'s proposal to construct and operate an approximately 278-mile rail line that would run through real property located within one and one half miles of the corporate limits of the City of Rochelle and concluded that such a rail line would likely impact future growth and development in the area.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 13th day of June, 2016.

ATTEST:

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Bruce W. McKinney  
City Clerk, City of Rochelle

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Chet J. Olson  
Mayor, City of Rochelle