

RESOLUTION NO. R-041221-3

A Resolution Expressing sympathy for the victims of the devastating Taroko Express Train Derailment in Taiwan on April 2, 2021.

WHEREAS, on Friday morning, April 2, 2021, a high-speed passenger train derailed in Hualien Taiwan, killing at least 50 and injuring 216 of the passengers; and

WHEREAS, a construction crane truck slid onto the tracks only around one minute before the accident happened and the packed train carrying almost 500 passengers and crew slammed into the truck near the eastern city of Hualien, causing it to derail near the entrance to Qingshui Tunnel becoming one of the island's worst rail accident in many decades; and

WHEREAS, the City of Port Lavaca and Taiwan have many friendly ties. This tragedy has saddened and shocked the citizens of Port Lavaca.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That We, the Members of the City Council of Port Lavaca, Texas, are struck with sorrow and anguish from this tragedy, and we extend our deepest sympathy and condolences to all the people of Taiwan for the tragic losses suffered.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this 12^h day of April, 2021.

Jack Whitlow, Mayor

Jerry Smith, Councilman Dist. #1

Tim Dent, Councilman Dist. #2

Allen Tippit, Councilwoman Dist. #3

Rosie Padron, Councilwoman Dist. #4

Jim Ward, Councilman Dist. #5

Kenneth Barr, Councilman Dist. #6

ATTEST:

Mandy Grant, City Secretary