

San Diego, Cal., Sept. 12th, 1907.

To the Honorable Common Council
of the City of San Diego, Cal.

Gentlemen:

In view of recent accidents and narrow escapes at various railroad crossings within the near city limits, and in order that accidents may be avoided in future and human life be safeguarded, I respectfully recommend that your Honorable Body pass such ordinances as may be necessary, requiring those operating steam railroads to protect the street traffic by placing automatic gates or any other proper safety appliances or watchmen at such crossings as your Honorable Body may designate.

The following in my opinion are dangerous crossings and a menace to the public and should receive prompt attention:

"H" street at entrance to Coronado ferry wharf;

"H" street just east of Arctic street;

Arctic and "G" streets;

Sixteenth and ~~W~~^A streets.

In this connection I respectfully recommend that the ordinance also provide that the crossings referred to above and any others that your Honorable Body might deem of sufficient importance at this time, be kept free from unnecessary occupation by standing trains or cars in order that the traffic on the streets may not be interfered with beyond a reasonable limit.

While the railroads are entitled to every reasonable facility for the transaction of their business, the public welfare ought also to be considered, and in the adoption of the safe-

guards referred to no unreasonable burden is sought to be placed upon any one.

In the interests of good moral conditions, and in order that regulation and direct supervision may be had by the city authorities, I respectfully recommend to your Honorable Body that all public pool-rooms, billiard halls, bowling alleys, shooting galleries, picture shows, penny arcades, &c., be required by ordinance to take out a license, payable to the city treasurer at such times and in such amounts as your Honorable Body may determine.

Respectfully,

Geo. F. Forward
Mayor of the City of San Diego, Cal.

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City Clerk

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MESSAGE FROM MAYOR

IN RE RAILROAD CROSSINGS
AND LICENSING BOWLING
ALLEYS, POOL ROOMS, ARCADES,
ETC.

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Preferred to H. + M. Committee by
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preparation of ordinance.*

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