

Be it Resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, That in the capacity of the chosen Representatives of the people, we view with alarm the effort now being made before the General Assembly, by the Railway Corporations of the city, to trample down with impunity the interest of our city, without her consent, and in direct violation of the wishes of her people, and the solemn contract existing between the city and Railway Companies in the provision of said Companies charters.

And be it further Resolved, That we, in the name of the people, do enter this, our solemn protest, against the passage of any Act by the General Assembly, assuming to absolve the Railway Corporations from the faithful performance of any of the provisions of their charter.

And be it further Resolved, That we call upon all the Representatives from the several Legislative Districts of Baltimore City, and all other members of the General Assembly who desire to do justice and not injury to the Metropolis of the State, of which every Marylander should be proud, to look well to the interests of the city, and use every honorable effort to defeat the measure now before them in the interest of the Railway Companies and against the interests of Baltimore City, and regard this the people's call for protection at your hands, and their protest against the passage of the measure alluded to above, which can only be considered as taking from the city that which belongs to her, and that without her consent.

Approved March 17th 1874.

(Signed,)

JOSHUA VANSANT,
Mayor.

OTIS KEILHOLTZ,
President of the First Branch.

HENRY SEIM,
President of the Second Branch.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, approved March 17th, 1874, the original of which is now on file in the office of the City Register. Given under my hand and the corporate seal of Baltimore City, this 18th day of March, 1874.

S. T. DUVALL,
Deputy Register.

Which were severally read, and,

On motion of Mr. Seth,

Ordered to be entered on the Journal.