

# MAYORAL PROCLAMATION IN SUPPORT OF MONARCH BUTTERFLIES AND MONARCH BUTTERFLY HABITATS IN THE CITY OF MAYVILLE

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**WHEREAS**, the monarch butterfly is an iconic North American species known for its remarkable migration, traveling up to 3,000 miles from the United States and Canada to overwintering sites in central Mexico; and

**WHEREAS**, the monarch population has declined significantly in recent decades due to habitat loss, pesticide use, and climate change, threatening the future of this vital pollinator and symbol of ecological health; and

**WHEREAS**, monarch butterflies and other pollinators are essential to the health of our environment, ecosystems, and food supply; and

**WHEREAS**, cities, towns, and communities play a vital role in the preservation and restoration of monarch habitats through the planting of native milkweed and nectar plants, the reduction of pesticide use, and the promotion of public awareness and conservation practices; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mayville recognizes its responsibility to protect the natural environment and promote sustainability for current and future generations;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Rob Boelk, Mayor of the City of Mayville, do hereby proclaim the City's support for the **Monarch Butterfly and Pollinator Conservation Efforts** and encourage the following actions:

1. The planting and maintenance of native milkweed and nectar plants in public spaces, parks, schools, and residential areas;
2. The reduction or elimination of herbicide and pesticide use that is harmful to pollinators;
3. Public education and outreach to raise awareness of monarch conservation;
4. Collaboration with local organizations, schools, and citizens to establish and protect monarch habitats;
5. Continued commitment to sustainable practices that support biodiversity and ecological health.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Mayville to be affixed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.



  
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Rob Boelk  
Mayor