

## PROCLAMATION

## PR-2025-12-01

## PROCLAMATION IN SUPPORT OF THE MAYORS' MONARCH PLEDGE

WHEREAS the monarch butterfly is an iconic North American species whose populations have declined dramatically due to habitat loss, pesticide use, and climate change; and

WHEREAS cities, towns, villages, and communities have a critical role to play in helping to save the monarch butterfly by creating habitat and educating citizens about how they can make a difference at home and in their community; and

WHEREAS the National Wildlife Federation's Mayors' Monarch Pledge empowers municipal leaders to take action to help save the monarch and other pollinators through sustainable practices, habitat creation, and community engagement; and

WHEREAS the Village of Marvin is committed to preserving the environment, enhancing natural habitats, and promoting sustainability for the benefit of current and future generations; and

WHEREAS participation in the Mayors' Monarch Pledge supports the Village's broader goals of environmental stewardship, native landscaping, and public education through outreach programs, demonstration gardens, and community events.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joseph M. Barbara, Mayor of the Village of Marvin, do hereby proclaim that:

- 1. The Village of Marvin will take the National Wildlife Federation's Mayors' Monarch Pledge.
- 2. The Village will work to increase pollinator habitat through municipal actions and partnerships with local organizations, schools, and homeowners' associations.
- 3. The Village will promote native plants, especially milkweed, and monarch conservation through education, community involvement, and demonstration projects.

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED,** that the Village of Marvin encourages all residents, businesses, and institutions to join in this effort to support the recovery of monarch butterflies and protect our environment.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Village of Marvin to be affixed on this 9th day of December 2025.

Proclaimed this 9th day of December 2025.

Joseph M. Barbara, Mayor

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Attest:

Austin W. Yow, Clerk & Assistant to the Manager

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