

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Rogers, Arkansas

Proclamation



WHEREAS, the monarch butterfly is an iconic North American species whose multigenerational migration and metamorphosis from caterpillar to butterfly has captured the imagination of millions of Americans, young and old; and

WHEREAS, over the past 20 years, there has been a precipitous decline in the migrating populations of the monarch across North America; and

WHEREAS, the monarch is extremely beneficial, pollinating many cultivated flowers and crops, and serves as an indicator species for the ecological health of large geographic areas; and

WHEREAS, cities, towns and counties have a critical role to play to help save the monarch butterfly, and the City of Rogers has declared an interest in participating in the recovery of this and related pollinator species; and

WHEREAS, both the public entities and individual citizens in the City of Rogers can make a difference for the monarch by planting native milkweed varieties and nectar plants to provide habitat for the monarch and pollinators in locations where people live, work, learn, play and worship; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the City of Rogers, I thank those organizations and citizens who have already created healthy habitats for these magnificent butterflies, such as the Butterfly Garden in Downtown Rogers, and acknowledge that it is a model for municipalities and people across our region and state to continue these actions to ensure that the monarch butterfly will once again flourish across the continent.

NOW THEREFORE I, Mayor Greg Hines, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Rogers, Arkansas, do hereby proclaim the day of May 4, 2024, as

MONARCH BUTTERFLY DAY

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all citizens are encouraged to plant and protect native milkweed and nectar sources so that monarch butterflies have the resources necessary to produce successive generations and sustain their spectacular migration across this land, including through the City of Rogers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Rogers, Arkansas, to be affixed.

Signed this 2nd day of May, 2024

The Honorable Greg Hines, Mayor
City of Rogers, Arkansas

Attest:

