

CITY OF SPOKANE



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 across the nation and here in Spokane; and

WHEREAS, the City of Spokane recognizes that human health ultimately depends on well-functioning ecosystems, and creating and maintaining biodiverse regions can better support food production, healthy soil and air quality and can foster healthy connections between humans and wildlife along with the importance of coexistence; and

WHEREAS, cities play a critical role in helping to save the monarch butterfly through education and conservation of monarch habitats, and Spokane is striving to become a leader in these efforts through encouraging the planting of native milkweed and other native plants that serve as habitats and invite pollination, not only helping the monarch population but also helping to make Spokane beautiful:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of the City of Spokane, on behalf of the citizens of Spokane, do hereby proclaim July 2022 as

MONARCH BUTTERFLY AWARENESS MONTH

in Spokane as part of the Mayors' Monarch Pledge to engage community members in protecting the monarch butterfly and other pollinators throughout our city.

I, Nadine Woodward, Mayor of Spokane,
do hereunto set my hand and
cause the seal of the City of Spokane
to be affixed this
29th day of June 2022.

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Nadine Woodward".

Nadine Woodward
Mayor

