



PROCLAMATION

Mayor's Monarch Pledge

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

WHEREAS, 20 years ago, more than one billion Eastern monarch butterflies migrated to Mexico, but in the winter of 2014, only 60 million made the trip; and

WHEREAS, cities, towns, villages and counties have a critical role to play to help save the monarch butterfly and the Village of Johnsburg can play a leadership role by planting native plants and milkweed that support this spectacular iconic migration; and

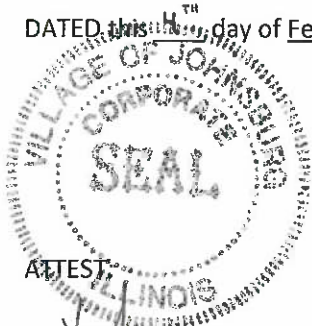
WHEREAS, every resident of Johnsburg can make a difference for the monarch by planting native milkweed and nectar plants to provide habitat for the monarch and pollinators in locations where people live, work, learn, play and worship; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of the residents of Johnsburg who have already joined me in creating healthy habitat for these magnificent butterflies, I am honored to sign the National Wildlife Federation's Mayor's Monarch Pledge for 2025; and I encourage other local government officials across our great nation to take a stand with me so that the monarch butterfly will once again flourish across the continent.

WHEREAS, since our participation and pledge partnership with the National Wildlife Foundation on or about 2022 we have successfully received achievement awards for increasing the awareness and population of the monarch butterfly returning to the Village of Johnsburg.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edwin P. Hettermann, President of the Village of Johnsburg and Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim this day and immediate following weather seasons of 2025 as **MAYOR'S MONARCH PLEDGE** for the Village of Johnsburg.

DATED this 14TH day of February 2025.



Edwin P. Hettermann, Village President

ATTEST

Claudette Sofiakis, Village Clerk & Administrator

Vinnie Lamontagna, Village Deputy Clerk & Assistant Administrator