



VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY
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RESOLUTION 153-2025

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY
TO DECLARE JUNE 11, 2025 AS MAYOR'S MONARCH PLEDGE DAY**

WHEREAS, the monarch butterfly is an iconic species whose populations have declined by more than 90% over the past two decades due to habitat loss, climate change, and the widespread use of herbicides and pesticides; and

WHEREAS, cities, towns, and villages have a critical role to play in helping to save the monarch butterfly, and the National Wildlife Federation's *Mayor's Monarch Pledge* provides a framework for municipalities to take action by committing to create habitat and educate the community about how they can make a difference; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Dobbs Ferry has formally taken the Mayor's Monarch Pledge and committed to key actions such as engaging residents, creating or restoring monarch habitat, and removing harmful invasive species; and

WHEREAS, the Dobbs Ferry Conservation Advisory Board (CAB), in partnership with local volunteers, has undertaken hands-on habitat restoration efforts, including the revitalization of the pollinator garden along the Old Croton Aqueduct and the creation of a new, enclosed pollinator garden in Chauncey Park, supported by funding from the Greater Irvington Land Trust and the Village Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the CAB has promoted pollinator education and regional collaboration through community lectures, including a presentation by Chet Kerr of the Greater Irvington Land Trust on the vision for a Pollinator Pathway spanning the Old Croton Aqueduct Trail, encouraging a continuous corridor of native plant habitat; and

WHEREAS, the Dobbs Ferry Public Library will be distributing a limited number of free native milkweed plants this spring and summer as part of a community engagement initiative, complemented by an educational flyer developed by a student volunteer to help residents learn how to support monarch conservation at home; and

WHEREAS, the Village recognizes that restoring native habitat and educating the public about pollinators not only benefits the environment, but also enhances the natural beauty and ecological resilience of our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dobbs Ferry hereby declares **June 11, 2025 as Mayor's Monarch Pledge Day** and reaffirms its commitment to protecting monarch butterflies and other pollinators through community education, habitat restoration, and sustainable land management practices.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Sullivan

Seconded by Trustee Knell

MAYOR ROSSILLO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AYE	<input type="checkbox"/> NAY	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> RECUSE	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSENT/EXCUSED
DEPUTY MAYOR SULLIVAN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AYE	<input type="checkbox"/> NAY	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> RECUSE	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSENT/EXCUSED
TRUSTEE GALEN	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AYE	<input type="checkbox"/> NAY	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> RECUSE	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSENT/EXCUSED
TRUSTEE KNELL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AYE	<input type="checkbox"/> NAY	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> RECUSE	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSENT/EXCUSED
TRUSTEE PATINO	<input type="checkbox"/> AYE	<input type="checkbox"/> NAY	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> RECUSE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ABSENT/EXCUSED
TRUSTEE ROSEN ASCHER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AYE	<input type="checkbox"/> NAY	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> RECUSE	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSENT/EXCUSED
TRUSTEE ROSENBERG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AYE	<input type="checkbox"/> NAY	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSTAIN	<input type="checkbox"/> RECUSE	<input type="checkbox"/> ABSENT/EXCUSED
VOTE TOTALS	AYE: 6	NAY: 0	ABSTAIN: 0	RECUSE: 0	ABSENT/EXCUSED: 1
RESULT:	MOTION PASSES				

I hereby attest that the above Resolution was approved by the Village Board at its June 10, 2025 meeting, and that I have been authorized to sign this Resolution by decision of the Board of Trustees.



Elizabeth A. Dreaper, RMC
Village Clerk

Date: June 11, 2025