



Village of
Elm Grove

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PROCLAMATION

Mayors' Monarch Pledge Day

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; and

WHEREAS, Both the western and eastern monarch populations have seen significant declines with less than one percent of the western monarch population remaining, while the eastern population has fallen by as much as ninety percent; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Elm Grove recognizes that human health ultimately depends on well-functioning ecosystems and that biodiverse regions can better support food production, healthy soil and air quality and can foster healthy connections between humans and wildlife ; and

WHEREAS, Cities, towns and counties have a critical role to play to help save the monarch butterfly, and Elm Grove is striving to become a leader; and

WHEREAS, On March 24, 2026, I, James Koleski and the Board of Trustee for the village of Elm Grove signed the National Wildlife Federation's Mayors' Monarch Pledge and have officially committed to taking meaningful action to protect the monarch butterfly; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Elm Grove has committed to completing a total of at least 24 actions in order to attain the Monarch Champion status; and

WHEREAS, Every resident of the Village of Elm Grove 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

Now, therefore, I, James Koleski, Village President of the Village of Elm Grove` do hereby proclaim March 24th, 2026, as:

“VILLAGE OF ELM GROVE’S MONARCH PLEDGE DAY”

IN THE VILLAGE OF ELM GROVE

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Village of Elm Grove, this 24th day of March, 2026

Jim Koleski, Village President

Crystal Turner, Village Clerk