

# PROCLAMATION



## Office of the Mayor

**WHEREAS**, Monarch butterflies are beloved by people around the world. Their beauty and familiarity help connect both children and adults with the natural world and further engage them in activities to conserve the species and the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, creating a habitat for monarch butterflies also creates habitat for other pollinators, which we rely on for biodiversity and our food supply; and

**WHEREAS**, habitat planting can be any size or shape, since Monarchs can find and use everything from a small backyard garden to large expanses of grassland for breeding and fueling migration; and

**WHEREAS**, pollinator habitat also adds beauty to landscapes, both with colorful flowers and by attracting vibrant butterflies and insects of all types. Conservation of pollinators and their habitat has positive cascading effects leading to conservation of other animals including songbirds and small mammals; and

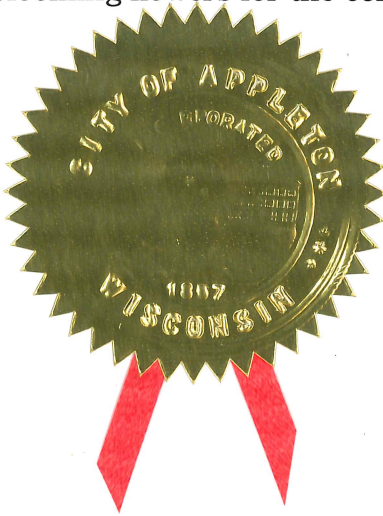
**WHEREAS**, Monarch butterflies need milkweed to survive, and planting native milkweed to feed Monarch caterpillars provides them with the nectar they need to reproduce and migrate.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JACOB A. WOODFORD**, Mayor of the City of Appleton, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2020 as

## Monarch Butterfly Month

in Appleton, and encourage all citizens to plant native plants, native milkweed, and blooming flowers for the conservation of Monarch butterflies.

Signed and sealed this 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020.



  
**JACOB A. WOODFORD**  
MAYOR OF APPLETON