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- 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, 20 years ago, more than one billion Eastern monarch butterflies migrated to Mexico, but in the last 2 decades the numbers have declined by 90%; and
- WHEREAS, monarch caterpillars need milkweed to grow into butterflies, and they feed on over 100 species of milkweed native to North America; and
- WHEREAS, cities, towns and counties have a critical role to play to help save the monarch butterfly, and the City of Arlington has played a leadership role by establishing monarch butterfly weight stations throughout the City and reestablishing native plant areas to incorporate Milkweed; and
- WHEREAS, every citizen of Arlington can make a difference for the monarch by planting native milkweed and nectar plants to provide habitat for the monarch and pollinators; and
- **NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Jim Ross, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas, and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, do hereby proclaim November 15, 2021 as Monarch and all Pollinators day.

Mayors' Monarch Pledge Day

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 15th day of November in the year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-one.

