

TOWN OF BOONSBORO
MONARCH BUTTERFLY PROCLAMATION

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 winter of 2014, only 60 million made the trip; and

WHEREAS, cities, towns and counties have a critical role to play to help save the monarch butterfly, and

WHEREAS, every citizen of Boonsboro 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, in May of 2016, on behalf of the Town of Boonsboro, a pledge was signed to commit to help restore habitat for the monarch and encourage our citizens to do the same; and

NOW, therefore, I, Howard W. Long, Mayor of the Town of Boonsboro, do hereby proclaim October 3, 2016 as Monarch Butterfly Day.

Dated, this third day of October in the year Two Thousand Sixteen.

Howard W. Long, Mayor