



PROCLAMATION

- Whereas, *Monarch butterflies are one of the most iconic and cherished insects in all of North America; and*
- Whereas, *Their epic 5,000-kilometre migration from eastern Canada to the forests of central Mexico begins in late August each year; and*
- Whereas, *In 2013, the eastern population of monarch butterflies dropped by 95 per cent, the smallest recorded population since the mid-1990s; and*
- Whereas, *Since 2013, the population has rebounded, thanks in part to the collective efforts of thousands of individuals, groups and communities across Canada, but the monarch's future remains in serious peril; and*
- Whereas, *Flight of the Monarch Day is an opportunity to celebrate the growing movement to protect monarch butterflies and the astonishing phenomenon of their migration as their epic journey southward begins; and*
- Therefore, *I, Annette Groves, Mayor of the Town of Caledon, hereby do proclaim*

August 22, 2026

as

"National Flight of the Monarch Day"

in the Town of Caledon and do commend its thoughtful observance to all citizens of our municipality.

Mayor Annette Groves, Town of Caledon