## CITY OF OBERLIN, OHIO

## RESOLUTION No. R18-14 CMS

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF OBERLIN TO BECOME A CERTIFIED MEMBER OF MONARCH CITY USA AND TO ENCOURAGE OBERLIN CITIZENS TO SUPPORT THE MONARCH BUTTERFLY POPULATION WITHIN THE CITY OF OBERLIN.

WHEREAS, the monarch butterfly is a North American butterfly species whose multigenerational migration and metamorphosis from caterpillar to butterfly has captured the imagination of millions; and,

WHEREAS, the monarch butterfly provide a valuable contribution to the environment through the pollination of cultivated flowers and crops, and serves as an indicator species for the ecological health of large geographic areas; and,

WHEREAS, over the last 20 years, the monarch butterfly population in the United States has diminished in part because of a lack of protective habitat; and,

WHEREAS, municipalities, townships, counties and their inhabitants have a critical role to play to help save the monarch butterfly; and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of the City of Oberlin can help to preserve the monarch butterfly population by planting milkweed and nectar plants to provide nourishment and a habitat for the monarch butterfly; and,

WHEREAS, Monarch City USA, a nonprofit Washington State corporation organized in 2015 is dedicated to helping the monarch butterfly recover city by city by enrolling municipalities across the country as supporters of the monarch butterfly and promoting of the planting of milkweed and nectar plants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OBERLIN, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1: That this Council does hereby declare its commitment to the preservation of the monarch butterfly and to join the Ohio cities of Oak Harbor, Port Clinton and Sandusky as a certified member of Monarch City USA; and,

SECTION 2: That the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to establish the City of Oberlin as a certified member of Monarch City USA; and,

SECTION 3: That this Council encourages Oberlin citizens to plant and protect native milkweed and nectar sources so that monarch butterflies have the resources necessary to produce successive generations and sustain their spectacular migration through the City of Oberlin.

SECTION 4: That this Council hereby authorizes the Clerk of Council to forward a copy of this Resolution to Monarch City USA.

SECTION 5. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning or relating to the adoption of this resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

SECTION 6. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED:	1st Reading: November 5, 2018 (	(A)(S)
	2nd Reading:	
	3rd Reading:	
ATTEST:		
BELINDA B. ANDERSON, MMC CLERK OF COUNCIL		BRYAN BURGESS PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

POSTED: 11/06/2018 EFFECTIVE DATE: 12/05/2018