

WHEREAS, World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) is a campaign to raise awareness for the conversation of migratory birds and the habitats they live in; and

WHEREAS, This event is an awareness-raising campaign highlighting the need for the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats. It aims to draw attention to the threats faced by migratory birds, their ecological importance, and the need for international cooperation to conserve them; and

WHEREAS, The theme for WMBD 2023 is 'Birds Connect Our World'. The migratory routes of different animals covers a wide range of habitats. They cross contrasting landscapes and terrain that would not have any connection otherwise, such as deserts and oceans. WMDB 2023 will celebrate how birds connect these habitats as well as the people that live there too; and

WHEREAS, as the human population on earth grows, many of the most important stop-over and breeding sites for migratory birds are suffering as a result. The degradation of these areas around the world could have a devastating effect on migratory birds. So, as well as celebrating migration routes, this year's WMBD is also about raising awareness of the importance of protecting these key sites.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Connie B. Schroeder, Mayor of the City of Bastrop, Texas, do hereby proclaim May 13, 2023, as:

WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here unto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Bastrop, Texas to be affixed this 9th day of May, 2023.