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PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS COME - GREETINGS:

WHEREAS: Pollinator species such as birds and insects are essential partners of farmers and ranchers in producing our food supply;

WHEREAS: Pollination plays an important role in the health of our national forests and grasslands, which provide forage, fish, wildlife, timber, water, mineral resources, and recreational opportunities as well as enhanced economic development opportunities for communities;

WHEREAS: Pollinator species provide significant environmental benefits that assist with maintaining healthy, biodiverse ecosystems;

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as state forests and grasslands for decades; and

WHEREAS: The State of Arkansas provides producers with conservation assistance to promote wise conservation stewardship, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators and their habitats on working lands and wildlands.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, SARAH HUCKABEE SANDERS, Governor of the State of Arkansas, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Arkansas, do hereby proclaim June 17-23, 2024, as

"POLLINATOR WEEK IN ARKANSAS"

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Arkansas to be affixed this 17th day of June, in the year of our Lord 2024.

Sarah Huckabee Sanders, Governor



John Thurston, Secretary of State