

- WHEREAS, pollinator species such as birds and insects are essential partners of farmers and ranchers in producing much of our food supply; and
- WHEREAS, pollination plays a vital role in the health of our national forests and grasslands, which provide forage, fish and wildlife, timber, water, mineral resources, and recreational opportunities as well as enhanced economic development opportunities for communities; and
- WHEREAS, pollinator species provide significant environmental benefits that are necessary for maintaining healthy, biodiverse ecosystems; and
- WHEREAS, the State of Iowa has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as Iowa forests and grasslands for decades; and
- WHEREAS, the State of Iowa 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, Kim Reynolds, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim June 22-28, 2020

IOWA POLLINATOR WEEK

in Iowa, and urge all citizens to recognize this observance.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SUBSCRIBED MY NAME AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF IOWA TO BE AFFIXED. DONE AT DES MOINES THIS _____ DAY OF MAY IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND TWENTY.

GOVERNOR OF IOW

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SECRETARY OF STATE