TO THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS, GREETINGS:

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 healthy, diverse ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, the State of Kansas has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as Kansas forests and grasslands for decades; and

WHEREAS, the State of Kansas 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, Laura Kelly, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, do hereby proclaim June 21st - 27th, 2021 as Kansas Pollinator Week in Kansas and urge all citizens to join in this observance.

DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 21st day of June, A.D. 2021

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Laura Kelly

Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State