



**John Bel Edwards**  
GOVERNOR

## **Proclamation**

**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, wildlife, timber, water, mineral resources and enhanced economic development for communities; and

**WHEREAS,**

pollinator species provide significant environmental benefits that are necessary for maintaining healthy, biodiverse ecosystems; and

**WHEREAS,**

Louisiana has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as forests and grasslands for decades; and

**WHEREAS,**

our state 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.

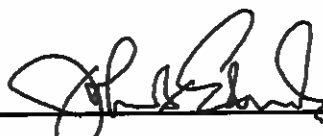
**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**I, John Bel Edwards,** Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim June 21 - 27, 2021 as

**POLLINATOR WEEK**  
in the State of Louisiana.



*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand  
officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the  
State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of  
Baton Rouge, on this 21st day of June A.D., 2021.*

  
Governor of Louisiana