



STATE OF NEW MEXICO **EXECUTIVE OFFICE** SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

# *Proclamation*

***WHEREAS**, pollinators provide critical ecosystem benefits that are essential to maintaining biodiversity and sustaining healthy ecosystems; and*

***WHEREAS**, New Mexico has a high diversity of native bees, butterflies, beetles, flies, birds, and bats are efficient pollinators of our flowering plants, vegetables and fruits; and*

***WHEREAS**, pollinator species 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, timber, water, mineral resources, and recreational opportunities, sustain wildlife, and enhance economic development opportunities for communities; and*

***WHEREAS**, the State of New Mexico 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; and*

***WHEREAS**, the State of New Mexico has created a pollinator protection license plate to fund pollinator-friendly planting on state roads.*

***NOW THEREFORE**, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim June 19 through June 25, 2023 as:*

## ***“New Mexico Pollinator Week”***

*throughout the state of New Mexico.*

Attest:

*Maggie Toulouse Oliver*

Maggie Toulouse Oliver  
Secretary of State

Done at the Executive Office this  
30<sup>th</sup> day of May 2023.

Witness my hand and the Great Seal  
of the State of New Mexico.

*Michelle Lujan Grisham*  
Michelle Lujan Grisham  
Governor

