

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 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 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 the week of June 17-23, 2019 as

Kansas Pollinator Week

In Kansas and encourage all citizens to participate in this observance.



DONE: At the Capitol in Topeka under the Great Seal of the State this 1st day of June, A.D. 2019

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary of State

Assistant Secretary of State