Proclamation

by

Matthew G. Bebin Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:

WHEREAS, Pollinator species such as hummingbirds and insects such as honey bees 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, 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 Kentucky has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as Kentucky forests and grasslands for decades; and

WHEREAS, The State of Kentucky provides producers with conservation assistance to promote wise stewardship, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators and their habitats on working lands and wildlands;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby declare June 17-23, 2019 as

POLLINATOR WEEK

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort this 4th day of April, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Nineteen and in the 227th year of the Commonwealth.

MATTHEW G. BEVIN GOVERNOR

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