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Pollinator Partnership
423 Washington Street, 5th Floor
San Francisco, CA 94111

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the citizens of Maine, I write this letter to help raise awareness about Pollinator Week, which is recognized during the week of June 17th, 2019.

Pollinator species, such as hummingbirds and honey bees, are essential partners of farmers and ranchers in producing much of our food supply. Pollination also plays a vital role in the health of our forests and grasslands, providing significant environmental benefits that are necessary for maintaining healthy, biodiverse ecosystems. The State of Maine is proud to provide producers with conservation assistance to promote wise conservation stewardship, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators in their habitats on working lands and wildlands.

As Governor, I encourage all Maine people to recognize the importance of pollinators to our food supply, economy, and global sustainability and to demonstrate sustainable practices in support of pollinator health and habitat in Maine.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Janet T. Mills".

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