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Dear Friends:

I am pleased to recognize June 17 - 23, 2019 as "Pollinator Week" in the state of Montana and participate in this collaboration that has grown over the last decade into an international celebration.

Pollination is important to the health of our ecosystems in Big Sky country, from our national forests to our golden prairies. The stability of these ecosystems is essential to the continued success of farmers and ranchers in Montana. It is important that Montanans protect pollinating animals—bees, birds, butterflies, bats, and beetles, so our natural resources, recreational opportunities, and economic development are sustainable for the next generation.

Pollinators do not observe state boundaries and we must act globally to sustain our ecosystems. I commend the dedication of the Pollinator Partnership to improve environmental stewardship by promoting awareness and creating a worldwide alliance to protect our plant's pollinators.

I encourage all Montanans to recognize June 17 - 23, 2019 as "Pollinator Week" and to engage in pollinator protection activities throughout their daily lives.

Sincerely,



STEVE BULLOCK
Governor