



In the Name and by the Authority of

# THE STATE OF OHIO



**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 Ohio has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as state forests and grasslands for decades; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Ohio 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, WE, Mike DeWine and Jon Husted, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize the week of June 17-23, 2019 as**

## OHIO POLLINATOR WEEK

on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.

Mike DeWine  
Governor



Jon Husted  
Lieutenant Governor