



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

POLLINATOR WEEK

WHEREAS: Pollinator species such as birds and insects are essential to the pollination and fertilization process. These species are important partners for the farmers and ranchers that produce much of our food supply; and

WHEREAS: Pollination plays a vital role in ensuring the health of Georgia's forests and grasslands, which provide forage, fish, wildlife, timber, water, mineral resources, and recreational opportunities, while also contributing to the economic development of communities across the state; and

WHEREAS: Pollinator species provide significant environmental benefits that are necessary for maintaining healthy and diverse ecosystems; and

WHEREAS: For decades, the State of Georgia has managed wildlife habitats and public lands such as state forests and grasslands; and

WHEREAS: The State of Georgia continues to provide producers with conservation assistance to promote wise environmental stewardship, including the protection and maintenance of pollinators and their habitats on working and wild lands; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim June 18-24, 2018, as POLLINATOR WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 13th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Ritz

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